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To

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Regent and President,
Regency Council, Cooch Behar.

Dated, Cooch Behar, the 30th July, 1932.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HIGHNESS.

WE HAVE the honour to submit the Annual Report on the General Administration of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1931-32

We have the honour to be

YOUR HIGHNESS'

Most obedient and humble servants,

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CHAPTER I.

GENERAL.

Cooch Behar.—This State, which at one time comprised almost the whole of Northern Bengal, Assam and a part of Bhutan known as the Duars and formed part of the famous kingdom of Kamrup, is a low-lying plain in North Bengal. It has an area of 1,318 square miles and a population of 5,90,866. On the demise of the late Ruler His Highness Maharaja Sir Jitendra Narayan Bhup Bahadur in December 1922 in England, his eldest son Yuvaraj Jagaddipendra Narayan (born on December 15, 1915) succeeded to the Gaddi at the age of 7. His Highness the Maharaja Bhup Bahadur belongs to the Kshatriya Varna of Kshatria origin. His Highness the Maharaja Bhup Bahadur has three sisters Maharajkumaris Ila Devi (aged 17), Ayesha Devi (aged 12) and Menaka Devi (aged 11) and one brother Maharajkumar Indrajitendra Narayan (aged 13). Her Highness the Maharani Saheba is the Regent and administers the State on behalf of her minor son with a Council of Regency, comprising four Members at present of which Her Highness is the President. The capital is Cooch Behar, which is reached by the Cooch Behar State Railway, linked to the Eastern Bengal Railway System.

2. *Constitution of the Regency Council.*—Mr. H. L. Khastgir, Revenue Officer and Judicial Member, Regency Council, retired from the service of the State on the 1st January, 1932 and Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., Fouzdari Ahilkar, was appointed from that date to be Revenue Officer and a Member of the Regency Council, the duties of the Judicial Member, Regency Council, having been provisionally taken over by the Vice-President, Regency Council.

There was no other change in the constitution of the Regency Council during the year under report.

3. Lieutenant-Colonel K. A. G. Evans-Gordon was appointed to be a Justice of the Peace within the State of Cooch Behar under orders contained in Notification No. 468-1, dated the 30th July, 1931 of the Government of India.

4. *The Judicial work of the Regency Council.*—There were 30 sittings of the Judicial Committee of the Council during the year under review against 31 of the previous year. Srijut Satindra Nath Guha, B.L., Civil and Sessions Judge of the State, was co-opted as a Member of the Judicial Committee of the Regency Council, to form a Full Bench on the 22nd, 25th and 27th May, 1931 and a Special Bench held on the 26th August 1931, 1st and 3rd December, 1931 and 3rd and 16th March, 1932.

To dispose of a Criminal Reference made by the Sessions Judge of the State, Sreejut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., who was Fouzdari Ahilkar at the time, was co-opted as a Member of the Judicial Committee of the Regency Council to form the Special Bench held on the 26th August, 1931 and 1st December, 1931.

The following Statement shows the cases disposed of by the Regency Council, exercising the functions of a High Court, during the year 1931-1932 :—

NATURE OF CASES.	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year	DISPOSED OF								Pending at the close of the year.	
			Decreed.	Dismissed.	Granted.	Rejected.	Modified.	Remanded.	Struck off.	Compromised.		Total.
CIVIL.												
Regular Appeals in Title suits ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...
Special Appeals in Title suits ...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Miscellaneous appeals & special appeals ...	...	4	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	4	...
Motions and References ...	...	4	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	4	...
Miscellaneous cases ...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...
CRIMINAL.												
Appeals ...	2	10	...	...	...	9	2	...	...	...	11	1
Motions and References ...	...	4	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	3	1
REVENUE.												
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	...
Motions and References ...	...	7	...	...	4	...	...	...	1	...	5	2
Grand total	6	50	...	2	9	16	2	1	1	1	32	4

5. *The Legislative Council.*—Two meetings of the Legislative Council were held during the year under report. The Cooch Behar Christian Marriage Act (Act I of 1931) to legalise marriages in the State between parties at least one of whom is a Christian subject of His Highness and the Cooch Behar Motor Vehicles Act (Act I of 1932) to regulate the use of motor vehicles in the State were passed into Law and the assent of the Regency Council obtained to both the Acts.

6. *Executive work of the Regency Council.*—On the executive side of the Regency Council 5 meetings were held against 13 of the previous year.

7. *His Highness the Maharaja Bhup Bahadur.*—On the 16th March, 1931 His Highness the Maharaja Bhup Bahadur returned to Cooch Behar and after a short stay left for England again on the 15th April, 1931. His Highness' education in England continued as before under the guardianship of Lady Blanche Scott Douglas.

8. The Janmatithi of His Highness was celebrated on the 18th November, 1931 when all State buildings and offices were illuminated under Regency Council Orders, dated the 14th November 1931. Sports were also held on this occasion instead of on the Birthday Anniversary of His late Highness Raj Rajendra Narayan Bhup Bahadur as heretofore.

9. *Donation towards the Lord Irwin Memorial Fund.*—The Regency Council sanctioned a donation Rs. 500 towards the Lord Irwin Memorial Fund.

10. *Co-education in the Victoria College, Cooch Behar.*—During the year under report 6 lady students were, for the first time, admitted in the Victoria College, Cooch Behar. Of the 6 students, two were admitted in the I. A. Class (Second year) and four in the I. A. Class (First year).

11. *License granted under the provisions of the Cooch Behar Christian Marriage Act (Act I of 1931).*—The Cooch Behar Christian Marriage Act having been passed in to law, it became necessary to grant a license to a Christian to solemnise marriages in the State between parties at least one of whom is a Christian Subject of this State.

Such a license was granted to Mr. A. W. Brandt, Secretary, Swedish Mission, Cooch Behar, by virtue of the powers vested in the Regency Council by Sections 7 and 8 of the Act.

12. *Revival of the Committee of Appointments.*—During the year under report the Regency Council decided that Committees of Appointments based on that constituted under His Highness' orders in 1921 should be established and that all appointments to vacancies other than normal promotions or appointments of temporary nature, in the cadres of gazetted and ministerial officers would be made by the Regency Council on the recommendation of Committees of Appointments to be appointed from time to time as necessity demanded.

As regards menials, the appointment of any person who is not a native or domiciled native of the State requires the previous sanction of the Head of Department concerned.

13. *Reduction in the salaries of all State officials in view of the financial situation.*—In December 1931 the Regency Council considered it imperative that a reduction in salaries of all State officials should be effected without loss of time and decided to revert as far as possible to the scale of salaries in force prior to the 1st April, 1927, the date from which the recommendations of the last Salaries Committee were given effect to. Until a general reduction on that basis could be brought into effect the following *ad interim* emergent reductions were ordered to be effected on salaries due for December, January and February of the year 1931-32 :—

Designation of Officers.	Salary drawn prior to December, 1931.		Salary ordered to be drawn on the 1st January, 1932.	
		Rs.		Rs.
Civil and Sessions Judge	750	...	600
Fouzdari Ahilkar	700	...	600
Audit Officer	650	...	525
State Engineer	650	...	475
Superintendent of Police	500	...	475
Civil Surgeon	700	...	600
Principal, Victoria College	450	...	400
Electrical Engineer	525	...	400

In the case of all other officials of the State, the following graded scale of reductions was sanctioned :—

Salaries.	Percentage of reduction.	
Rs. 20 and under	Nil
Over Rs. 20 to Rs. 35	5%
Over Rs. 35 to Rs. 75	6%
Over Rs. 75 to Rs. 125	8%
Over Rs. 125	10%

14. *Measures of relief afforded to Jotedars and tenants.*—To afford relief to the Jotedars and tenants in their difficulties owing to the economic

distress to pay revenue and rents due from them, the Regency Council in their Notification, dated the 14th January, 1932 announced as follows :—

- (1) For every jote for which the whole of the arrears and current demand has been satisfied within the current Revenue year (1338 B. E.), the Jotedar will be entitled to a remission of one-third of the Revenue demand on that jote due for 1339 B. E.
- (2) For every jote for which the whole of the arrear and current demand up to and including the Kartick Kist of the current year (1338 B. E.) has been satisfied, the Jotedar will be entitled to a remission of one-fourth of the Revenue demand on that jote for 1339 B. E.
- (3) Similar concessions shall be shewn to all the tenants and under-tenants by Jotedars and other superior land-lords (whether Jotedars and superior land-lords have themselves received the above concessions or not) in all cases where tenants and under-tenants have paid to their respective land-lords all Kists due up to the end of 1338 B. E. or the Aswin Kist of 1338 B. E. as the case may be.

Extension of the period of limitation for the institution of rent suit and rent execution cases.—On account of the general economic distress, the Jotedars were experiencing considerable difficulty in finding the necessary funds for payment of Stamp duty for the institution of rent suits, which would otherwise become barred by limitation. To meet this difficulty, the Regency Council considered it desirable that some relief should be afforded to them by the grant of an extension of the period of limitation. Regulation I of 1931 extending the period of limitation for one year only commencing from the 30th Jaistha 1338 B. E. was accordingly passed by the Regency Council under Clause 37 of Section 3 of the Cooch Behar General Clauses Act I of 1921.

15. *The Pooneah Ceremony for the year 1338 B. E.*—The Pooneah ceremony for the year 1931-32 (1338 B. E.) was performed on the 29th of April, 1931 and the two following days. The ceremony was held by Mr. H. L. Khastgir, M.A., Rai Bahadur, Revenue Officer of the State, in the Durbar Hall of the Palace. The Courts and Offices of the Revenue Department remained closed for 4 days and all other Courts and Offices for 3 days commencing from the 29th of April, 1932.

CHAPTER II.

FINANCE AND TREASURY.

FINANCE.

1. The total aggregate revenues anticipated in the Revised Estimate for the year under report were Rs. 24,09,422 but the actuals of the year amounted to Rs. 26,11,308 thereby showing an improvement of Rs. 2,01,886. Again the Revised Estimate provided for payments aggregating Rs. 27,62,632 but the actual payments brought to account during the year amounted to Rs. 27,51,011 resulting in a saving of Rs. 11,621. The anticipated deficit of Rs. 3,53,210 in the Revised Estimate was thus reduced, when the actuals were brought to account, to a sum of [Rs. 3,53,210 - (2,01,886 + 11,621)] Rs. 1,39,703.

2. The actual Revenue and Expenditure for the year under report and the important fluctuations under the various heads as compared with the figures of the preceding year are shown below :—

A.—REVENUE.

The revenue for the year amounted to Rs. 26,11,308 against Rs. 29,31,763 of the previous year showing a net decrease of Rs. 3,20,455. The decrease occurred mainly under the following heads :—

I.—GENERAL REVENUE :—

Rs.

(a) <i>Land Revenue</i> .—Due mainly to short collection under "Ordinary Revenue" (—Rs. 1,13,331) Shairat (—Rs. 5,661) and Miscellaneous (—Rs. 5,900)	-1,25,245
(b) <i>Stamps</i> .—Due mainly to short receipts under the head "Sale of Judicial & Documentary Stamps"	-42,226
(c) <i>Excise</i> .—Due to short receipt under the head "License fee on liquors & drugs"	-81,102

III.—MISCELLANEOUS :—

(b) <i>Jail including "Rice Mill"</i> .—The decrease is mainly due to short receipts under the head "Sale of Jail Manufactures" (—Rs. 5,666) and under "Rice Mill" (—Rs. 38,658) as the Mill was closed during the year under report	-41,348
(d) <i>Public Works</i> .—Due mainly to short receipts from the Artisans School	-8,758
(e) <i>Sundries</i> .—Due mainly to certain abnormal items included in the actuals of 1930-31 not coming in the year under report	-9,648

IV.— <i>DEBUTTER</i> .—due mainly to the bad economic condition of the people	-19,025
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V.— <i>COOCH BEHAR STATE RAILWAY</i> .—Due mainly to short receipts under "Coaching traffic" and "goods traffic" on account of the general trade depression and economic condition of the people	-68,753
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There were, however, increases under the heads I—General Revenue—
 (d) "Interest on loans & investments" (+ Rs. 29,648) due to the fact that the interest on account of the Government paper of the face value of Rs. 5,92,100 which was hitherto being re-invested, was credited to this head during the year under report so as to be available for expenditure, (e) Sundries (+ Rs. 5,683) owing mainly to larger amount of deposits having lapsed to the State during the year under report and VI.—H. H. the Maharaja's Estates (b) Chaklajat Estates (+ Rs. 50,099) owing to better collections of rent./

B.—EXPENDITURE.

The expenditure of the year 1931-32 amounted to Rs. 27,51,011 against Rs. 34,27,403 of the previous year showing a net decrease of Rs. 6,76,392 which is accounted for as shown below :—

I.—CIVIL LIST	...	...	...	...	- 13,813
II.—ADMINISTRATION.—					

2.—*General*.—Due mainly to savings (a) of Rs. 9,272 on account of the pay and contributions of the Vice-President, Regency Council, and of Rs. 2,874 under the head "Travelling Allowance" of the General Department, (b) of Rs. 13,650 under the head "Jail" including "Rice Mill" owing to short expenditure under the head "Rations and purchase of Raw materials" and to the closing of the Rice Mill, (c) of Rs. 15,032 under the head "Police" in consequence of the reversion of Mr. Lesslie to Government service and the appointment of a Superintendent of Police on smaller pay, (d) of Rs. 20,843 under the head "Medical" owing to curtailment of expenditure in the Public health Department and to no expenditure being incurred for the equipment of the new Hospital for which a sum of Rs. 14,901 was spent in the year 1930-31, (e) of Rs. 4,75,255 under the head Publicworks, of Rs. 8,647 under Artisans School and of Rs. 13,248 under the Electrical Department due to curtailment of Expenditure and stoppage of original works owing to financial difficulties - 5,65,939

3.—*Revenue*.—Due mainly to savings (a) of Rs. 17,253 under the heads "Contingencies, Travelling allowance, Temporary Establishment Canoongoes" under "Land Revenue", (b) of Rs. 15,837 under the head "Excise" due to no expenditure during the year under report for the purchase of opium the stock of previous years having been found sufficient for the demands of 1931-32, (c) of Rs. 5,720 under the head "Re-Settlement" as there was no expenditure under this head during 1931-32 - 40,740

III. STATE CEREMONIAL DEPARTMENT.—

Due mainly to savings (a) of Rs. 5,062 under the head "Camp", (b) of Rs. 6,066 under the head "Military" chiefly on account of reduction in the number of men and Sepoys and (c) of Rs. 3,071 under the head "Pilkhana" - 14,270

IV. DEBUTTER.—

Rs.

Due to savings under "Pujahs" -10,049

V. MISCELLANEOUS.—

The increase under this head is mainly due to adjustments during the year of Rs. 9,150 on account of interest on loan taken from the Imperial Bank and of Rs. 5,532 for remuneration to Mr. S. C. Roy for arranging the loan and for certain other miscellaneous charges of the Imperial Bank ... +13,780

VI. COOCH BEHAR STATE RAILWAY.—

The decrease is due to less expenditure for working the line representing 45% of the gross earnings in consequence of the corresponding short receipts during the year -30,939

The result of the working of the line during the year under report as compared with the previous year is shown below :—

	1930-31.	1931-32.
	Rs.	Rs.
Gross earnings	3,76,828	3,08,075
Working Expenses	1,74,410	1,43,471
Net earnings ...	2,02,418	1,64,604

3. The following statements are appended :—

I. Comparative statement of Revenue and Expenditure of the State for the years 1930-31 and 1931-32.

II. Comparative statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the Cooch Behar Treasury for the years 1930-31 and 1931-32.

Local Funds and Deposits.—The receipts and disbursements of the Local Funds during the year under report amounted to Rs. 1,13,518 and Rs. 1,23,846 respectively, the transactions resulting in a deficit of Rs. 10,298. Thus the Local Funds opened with a cash balance of Rs. 1,37,947 and closed with a balance of Rs. 1,27,649 at the end of the year 1931-32.

The total deposits during the year 1931-32 were Rs. 2,00,798 while the amounts repaid including those lapsed to the State were Rs. 2,28,726 resulting in a deficit of Rs. 26,928.

The transactions of the various Town Committees of the State during the year under report are shown below :—

		Receipts.	Disbursements.
		Rs.	Rs.
Cooch Behar Town Committee	... ..	48,626	46,798
Dinhata Town Committee	... ..	8,206	8,055
Mathabhanga Town Committee	... ..	9,060	7,493
Haldibari Town Committee	... ..	7,673	8,285

5. *Loans and Advances.*—Advances and loans to the extent of Rs. 1,46,773 were made during the year under report while repayments amounted to Rs. 1,97,546. The total balance recoverable on the Advance and Loan account on the 31st March 1932 was Rs. 2,20,571. Actual balance was Rs. 7,53,328 out of which Rs. 5,32,757 was ordered to be written off in Regency Council Office letter No. 721, dated, the 18th July 1931. Thus the total balance stands at Rs. 7,53,328 - Rs. 5,32,757 = Rs. 2,20,571.

6. *Miscellaneous Accounts :—*

(a) *Government of Bengal.*—During the year under report Rs. 15,51,426 was received and Rs. 16,75,271 was disbursed. The balance on the 31st March 1932 was Rs. 9,72,423.

(b) *Miscellaneous Cash Remittance.*—

(ii) *Chaklajaj Estate.*—The Estate took an advance of Rs. 20,275 from the Cooch Behar Treasury during the year under report which has been fully repaid. There is, however, an advance of Rs. 61,497 taken from the Cooch Behar Treasury in the year 1930-31 still standing against the Manager, Chaklajaj Estate.

(c) *Chief Accounts Officer, Eastern Bengal Railway.*—The gross earnings of the Cooch Behar State Railway during the year under report was Rs. 3,08,075 out of which Rs. 75,869 were received from the Chief Accounts Officer, Eastern Bengal Railway in cash and Rs. 1,43,471 as working expenses for the year leaving a balance of Rs. 88,735 recoverable from the Chief Accounts Officer, Eastern Bengal Railway, on the 31st March 1932.

7. *Cash Balance :—*

Particulars.	Actuals. 1930-31. Rs.	Actuals. 1931-32. Rs.
1. Cooch Behar Treasury ...	3,31,765	3,66,362
2. Chaklajaj Estates ...	21,945	56,832
3. Funds and Deposits ...	1,07,423	9,72,424
4. Government of Bengal ...	10,96,268	71,072
	<hr/> 15,57,401	<hr/> 14,66,690

TREASURY.

The immediate charge of the Treasury was throughout the year with Sreejut Niranjan Sen Gupta M.A., B.L. There was a change in the Office of the Head of the Department owing to the retirement on the 31st December, 1931 of Rai Bahadur H. L. Khastgir, Esq., M.A., who was relieved by Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., on the same date.

2. The year opened with a cash balance of Rupees 15,16,183 and closed with a balance of Rs. 13,94,849.

The details of the figures are given below :—

	Opening balance. Rs.	Closing balance. Rs.
Cooch Behar State ...	3,31,765	3,66,350
Funds and Deposits ...	88,450	56,064
Government ...	10,96,268	9,72,435
Total ...	<hr/> 15,16,483	<hr/> 13,94,849

It will be seen that as compared with the opening balance there was a little improvement in the closing balance of the State money.

3. The total receipts and disbursements of the year amounted to Rs. 40,70,403 and Rs. 41,92,037 against Rs. 45,74,384 and Rs. 44,34,321 of the previous year.

4. There was a further rise in transaction in currency notes the value of the notes received in the Treasury during the year under report being Rs. 1,30,24,300 and of those issued Rs. 1,26,30,600 against Rs. 1,25,45,200 and Rs. 1,24,30,000 respectively of the previous year.

5. The subjoined statement "III" will show that in the year under review the total Stamp revenue amounted to Rs. 3,11,536-0-6 against Rs. 3,53,755-15 of the previous year shewing a fall of Rs. 42,219-14-6. The decrease was due to decrease in litigation owing to the extension of time in limitation as well as to all round pecuniary distress consequent on the fall in the price of all commodities.

The fluctuations for the last 2 years are shewn in the statement "IV".

CHAPTER III.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The Department was under the control of Mr. H. L. Khastgir from the beginning of the year till the 31st December 1931. Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., took over charge on the 1st January 1932.

SECTION I—LAND REVENUE.

2. The current demand of Land Revenue for the year under report was Rs. 20,01,419 and the arrear demand including Rs. 1,518 due to settlements concluded in the year under report with retrospective effect was Rs. 9,15,851. The total demand thus amounted to Rs. 29,17,270. The total collection was Rs. 12,39,234; but as this amount includes excess payments amounting to Rs. 2,830 on account of future liabilities for Land Revenue, the net collection for the year was Rs. 12,36,404. Remissions were granted for Rs. 7,720. The net amount credited against the total demand of Rs. 29,17,270 was thus Rs. 12,44,124 (Rs. 12,36,404 plus Rs. 7,720) leaving a balance of Rs. 16,73,146 for recovery. The following table compares the figures for the last three years:—

YEAR.	DEMAND.						BALANCE.				REMARKS.	
	Bal or current demand.	Backpay or arrear demand.			Grand total of demand.	Amount of collections.	Amount written off.	Out of arrear demand.	Out of current demand.	Total.		
		Amount of balance shown in the statement for the previous year.	Increase.	Total arrear demand.								
												Amount of excess payment or amount which has formed part of the demand is included in the collections.
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1919-1930 ...	20,23,685	2,32,260	3,882	2,56,142	22,79,827	20,43,400	32,310	1,16,911	95,367	2,12,268	8,151	
1930-1931 ...	21,20,089	1,12,268	3,716	2,16,984	22,36,073	13,10,501	15,038	1,15,941	7,98,392	9,14,333	3,799	
1931-1932 ...	20,01,419	9,14,333	1,518	9,15,851	29,17,270	12,36,234	7,720	2,85,756	12,87,330	16,73,146	2,830	

3. From the details in Statements I and II appended to the report which refer to Mal and Debutter Land Revenue it will be seen that as compared with 1930-31 there was a gross decrease of Rs. 25,014 and a gross increase of Rs. 6,344 in the current demand or a resultant net decrease of Rs. 18,670. For facility of reference the different items of increase and decrease are shown in the following table:—

Particulars.	Increase.	Particulars.	Decrease.	REMARKS.
Increase due to Settlement of Khas Jotes.	Rs. 73	Decrease due to relinquished jotes.	Rs. 4.2	
Increase obtained by Settlement of relinquished Jotes.	75	Decrease due to Jotes being made Khas under section 19 of the Revenue Sale Act.	2,121	
Increase due to settlement of Khas Lands.	443	Decrease due to dilution	68	
Increase due to Settlement of Payasti lands.	760		2,611	
	1,363	Decrease due to rectification of mistakes.	529	
Increase due to progressive enhancement of revenue.	1,672	Decrease due to acquisition of lands.	187	
Increase due to rectification of mistakes.	104	Decrease due to cancellation of bad Jotes.	347	
Increase obtained by the settlement of Syrat Mehals.	3,255	Decrease due to lands being made khas under orders.	83	
		Decrease due to falling off of Syrat Mehals.	21,237	
Grand total ...	6,344	Grand total ...	25,014	

4. The net decrease of Rs. 18,670 in the current demand of Revenue in the year under report was chiefly due to falling off of income from Syrat Mehals.

5. The increase obtained by the resettlement of khas and relinquished jotes as also of khas and payasti lands amounted to Rs. 1,363 against Rs. 2,579 of the previous year. The decrease amounting to Rs. 2,611 due to relinquishment of jotes, to jotes being made khas and to diluvion thus exceeded the increase by Rs. 1,248. But the decrease due to the falling off of Syrat Mehals is mainly responsible for the net decrease of Rs. 18,670 as shown above.

6. The collection for the year under report (Rs. 12,39,234) fell short of the current demand by Rs. 7,62,185 and also fell short of the average collections for the preceding 5 years by Rs. 6,59,677 and of the collection of the previous year by Rs. 71,267. Of the unrecovered balance of Rs. 16,73,146 shown in the table in paragraph 2 above, Rs. 2,82,330 was due at the close of the year from the estates under the management of the Court of Wards.

The percentage of total collections on the current demand was 61.91 which is much below the standard of 100 per cent and this was due to the economic distress prevailing all over the country.

7. The total number of jotes shown on the Revenue Roll was 26,253 against 26,179 of the previous year. Thus there was an increase of 74 jotes due to settlement of khas lands. 37,439 jotes were advertised for sale at different kists for arrears of revenue out of which 11,166 were actually sold. The number of cases in which sales were annulled was 374. The penalties realised amounted to Rs. 3,108 and Rs. 993 was due to auction purchasers under Sub-section 5 of Section XXVII of the Revenue Sale Act.

In consequence of the prevailing economic distress, the last date for payment of revenue in every kist was extended from time to time and fines and penalties for late payment of revenue were not demanded.

8. There were 9,020 cases under the Public Demands Recovery Act of which 4,436 were disposed of and 4,584 remained pending at the close of the year. Recoveries by this procedure amounted to Rs. 3,30,943 against Rs. 93,861 of the previous year.

9. *Revenue cases*.—11,917 cases were instituted during the year under report and 2,465 cases were pending from the previous year. The total for disposal was thus 14,382, of which 8,392 cases were disposed of and 5,990 cases remained pending at the close of the year under report.

10. *Communication Improvement Cess*.—The current demand during the year under review was Rs. 1,951 against the same amount in the previous year. The arrears amounted to Rs. 575 against Rs. 395 of the previous year. The total demand was therefore Rs. 2,526 against Rs. 2,336 of the previous year. Rupees 1,575 was collected during the year under report against Rs. 1,789 of the previous year. The excess collections or collections made against future demands amounted to Rs. 14 against Rs. 29 of the previous year. The collection made during the year under report fell short of the current demand by Rs. 376. The balance left unrealised at the close of the year was Rs. 963.

11. *Cattle Pounds*.—The number of cattle pounds in the State was 112 against 110 of the previous year. Two new pounds were created, one in Dinbata and the other in the Mekligunj Sub-Divisions.

The following statements show the receipts and expenditure of the Pound Fund for the year under report:— ✓

	Names of Sub-divisions.					Total.
	Sudder.	Tufangunj.	Dinhata.	Mathabhanga.	Mekligunj.	
1. Number of Pounds ...	16	21	23	34	18	112
2. Balance of the previous year.	Rs. 199*	Rs. 668	Rs. 4	Rs. 261	Rs. 334	Rs. 1466
3. Amount of bid ...	1,755	1,624	914	2,162	2,919	9,374
Total ...	1,954	2,292	918	2,423	3,253	10,840
4. Amount of bid realised	1,804	1,409	918	2,325	2,925	9,381
5. Amount of bid unrealised	72	883	...	98	328	1,381
6. Sale proceeds of unclaimed impounded cattle.	113	38	36	143	44	374
7. Miscellaneous ...	2	...	...	...	27	29
8. Total of items 4, 6 & 7	1,919	1,447	954	2,478	2,996	9,784

*The sum of Rs. 78 remitted vide General Department Office No. 201, dated the 22nd April, 1931.

Statement showing the expenditure of the Pound Fund for 1930-31:—

Head of service.	Budget sanctioned for 1931-32.	Expenditure.
	Rs.	Rs.
Contingencies ...	500	278
Rewards for killing dogs ...	500	228
Establishment ...	1,578	1,567
Total	2,578	2,073
Aid to Cooch Behar Town Committee ...	3,600	3,600
„ Dinhata „	200	200
„ Mathabhanga „	1,000	1,000
Total	4,800	4,800
Improvement of Sub-Divisional Town at Tufangunj	1,000	780
„ „ „ at Mekligunj	500	500
Total	1,500	1,280
Grand total	8,878	8,153

Together with the arrear balance of Rs. 1,466 the total bid to be realised was Rs. 10,840 against Rs. 13,027 in the previous year, of which Rs. 9381 was collected and Rs. 78 was written off leaving a balance of Rs. 1,381 as unrealised. Rs. 403 was derived as sale proceeds of unclaimed impounded cattle and miscellaneous receipts.

The total collection was thus Rs. 9,784 against Rs. 12,399 in the previous year.

The cost of establishment and contingencies together with charges incurred for killing rabid and stray dogs amounted to Rs. 2,073 against Rs. 2,335 in the previous year.

Rupees 6,080 was paid to the several Town Committees and Sub-divisional towns in the State as contribution towards effecting improvement of the places concerned. The total expenditure of the Fund thus amounted to Rs. 8,153 against Rs. 8,634 in the previous year.

The opening balance of the Fund was Rs. 26,867-13-6 of which Rs. 22,591-14-11 was in the Cooch Behar Treasury and Rs. 4,275-14-7 was in the Sub-Treasuries. The closing balance of the Fund was Rs. 27,454-7-5 of which Rs. 26,597-12-5 was in the Sudder Treasury and Rs. 856-11 in the different Sub-Treasuries. Loans paid out of the Fund to-date amounted to Rs. 1,36,343-12.

			12. <i>Crops and condition of people.</i> —The rainfall
April	...	9.18	registered during the year at the Sudder Station was 155.77 inches against 87.11 inches of the previous year and the normal rainfall of 135.98 inches. The statement in the margin shows the distribution month by month.
May	...	22.76	
June	...	31.41	
July	...	42.85	
August	...	13.15	
September	...	30.99	
October	...	3.06	
November	...	0.00	
December	...	0.10	
January	...	0.00	
February	...	0.51	
March	...	2.32	
Total	...	155.77	

For want of sufficient rain in the month of April cultivation of Bitri paddy was retarded. The weather also was not favourable for the growth of jute and the crop was damaged to some extent by untimely rainfall. Owing to the low price of jute the area under cultivation was much less than that of the previous year.

The price of common rice ranged from Rs. 2-14 to Rs. 4-2 per maund; of tobacco from Rs. 5-8 to Rs. 15 per maund; of mustard seed from Rs. 2-12 to Rs. 4-8 per maund; and of jute from Rs. 2-12 to Rs. 6-10 per maund. From the foregoing figures it will be seen that the price of paddy and that of the other chief crops of the country were much lower than those of the previous year owing to trade depression and the economic condition of the people consequently was not good.

The area of land under jute cultivation during the year was 16000 acres against 31000 acres in the previous year. The out-turn of the crop was estimated to be 6 annas. Owing to the low market the cultivators derived little profit from this crop.

SECTION II.—EXCISE REVENUE.

13. The excise revenue from outstills decreased from Rs. 1,04,147 in the year 1930-31 to Rs. 55,622 in the year under report. The revenue from duty levied on consumption of Gunja decreased from Rs. 49,460 to Rs. 35,298 and that from duty on Opium increased from Rs. 23,296 to Rs. 24,297. The current demand of excise revenue for the year was Rs. 1,52,134 against Rs. 2,44,968 of the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 92,834 due mainly to decreased consumption of Opium and Gunja on account of the general economic depression. An arrear demand of Rs. 3,567 was remitted by the Regency Council. The collections amounted to Rs. 1,53,491. The incidence of excise revenue per head was 4 annas 2 pies in the year under report.

14. The table below compares the collection in each sub-divisional office during the last 2 years :—

Name of Sub-division.			Total demand for 1931-1932.	Total collection for 1931-1932.	Total collection for 1930-1931.
			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Sudder	...	...	55,138 0 0	55,138 0 0	87,840 0 0
Tufangunj	...	...	26,364 0 0	24,642 0 0	29,823 0 0
Mekligunj	...	...	27,565 0 0	26,378 0 0	42,022 0 0
Mathabhangra	...	...	24,359 0 0	20,667 0 0	31,740 0 0
Dinhata	...	...	26,928 0 0	26,671 0 0	45,582 0 0
Total	...	...	1,60,349 0 0	1,53,491 0 0	2,36,506 0 0

The figures of the Sudder Sub-division include the compensation paid by Government referred to in paragraph 16 below. Arrear balance of Rs. 3,292 was due from certain leasees who failed to pay up their license fees on account of the loss suffered by them during the year. The question of remission of a portion of this amount is under consideration.

15. Statement No. III appended hereto shows demands collections, remissions and balances of Excise revenue for the year 1931-32.

The variations under each head of revenue are explained below :—

- (a) *Country Spirit*.—The total demand on account of license fees decreased from Rs. 1,08,184 in 1930-31 to Rs. 57,707 in the year under report and consequently there was a corresponding decrease in the collections. The collections under fresh date palm juice (Tari) however increased to Rs. 175 in the year under report from Rs. 155 in the previous year. 35 licenses were issued to vendors of fresh Tari @ Rs. 5 for each license against 31 licenses of the previous year.
- (b) *Imported Spirit*.—The license fees amounted to Rs. 372 against the same figure of the previous year. There was an increase in consumption from 349½ bottles in 1930-31 to 362½ bottles in the year under report with a corresponding increase in duty levied upon this spirit from Rs. 131-1 to Rs. 135-15. The collections on account of license fee of denatured spirit was Rs. 65 against Rs. 85 of the previous year.
- (c) *Gunja*.—The total demand on account of license fees amounted to Rs. 29,597. The amount collected was Rs. 25,202 against Rs. 44,121 of the previous year. Consumption fell from 30 maunds 36 seers 8 chhatacks to 22 maunds 2 seers 3 chhatacks. The collections on account of duty fell from Rs. 49,460 in 1930-31 to Rs. 35,288 in the year under report due to decreased consumption.
- (d) *Opium*.—The consumption of opium amounted to 6 maunds 27 seers showing a rise in the consumption by 11 seers in the year under report in comparison with the consumption of the previous year. The duty levied during the year consequently increased from Rs. 23,293 in the previous year to Rs. 24,297 in the year under report. The license fees under this head in the year under report amounted to Rs. 5,652 against Rs. 6,667 in the previous year. Rs. 5,275 was collected during the year against Rs. 6,281 in the previous year.
- (e) Fifty-three permits to Chemists and Druggists were granted during the year under report against 45 permits in the previous year. The license fee for each permit was Re. 1.

16. The amount credited under head "Miscellaneous Collection" amounted to Rs. 7,007 in the year under report against Rs. 8,113 in the previous year. The receipt includes Rs. 4,715-0-10 which was received from the Government of Bengal in the year under report on account of compensation for transfer to that Government of the excise administration of all isolated Chhit lands of Cooch Behar territory in Bengal. Rs. 5,309-7-4 was received in the previous year on this account.

17. There was only one case of violation of Excise Law in the year under report and the accused was convicted.

SECTION III.—COURT OF WARDS.

18. *The estates under the management of the Court of Wards*.—There were 29 estates under the management of the Court of Wards of which 2 estates were newly assumed. No estate was released during the year under review.

A comparative statement showing the current and arrear demands of the estates as also the demands of revenue and rent due from them is given below:—

		1930-31. Rs.	1931-32. Rs.
Current demand (collection)	...	2,22,854	2,50,888
Arrear demand (Do.)	...	3,89,366	5,37,165
Total demand	...	6,12,220	7,88,053
Total collection	...	91,699	1,22,896
Current demand (Revenue)	...	1,26,287	1,58,880
Arrear demand (Revenue)	...	71,021	1,83,841
Payment of revenue	...	36,305	67,551
Current demand of rent to superior land-lords	...	23,524	24,309
Arrear demand of rent to superior land-lords	...	10,894	27,981
Payment of rent to superior land-lords	...	10,688	20,380

19. The following table shows the receipts and disbursements of the estates for the year under report:—

Particulars of receipts		Amount. Rs. A. P.	Particulars of disbursements.		Amount. Rs. A. P.
Cash balance of 1930-31	...	558 4 5	Payment of fees	...	8,400 0 0
Rent collection including interest and	...		Revenue and rent	...	87,930 10 8
Cess	...	1,22,699 4 3	Law charges	...	23,754 5 10
Collection of co-ts	...	10,311 8 10½	Payment of debts	...	1,316 3 6
Deposits and advances	...	19,276 1 10	Deposits in Banks	...	400 0 0
Loan including interests and costs	...	702 11 3	Allowances and deposits refunded	...	57,542 3 1
Deposits withdrawn from Banks	...	6,438 2 6	Purchase of property	...	2,291 0 0
Refunds and adjustment of advance	...	87,981 11 8	Payment to proprietors	...	10,416 12 6
Miscellaneous	...	5,178 12 6½	Ferry tolls	...	5 0 0
			Miscellaneous	...	9,805 7 11
			Cash balance at the close of the year	...	1,320 13 10
Total	...	2,03,145 9 4	Total	...	2,03,145 9 4

20. The total current demand of the estates including interest was Rs. 2,50,888 out of which Rs. 1,22,696 only could be collected. The percentage of collection over the current demand was thus 47 only. The low collections were due to the economic distress.

SECTION IV.—DEBUTTER DEPARTMENT.

21. The total disbursements amounted to Rs. 50,843 against Rs. 58,708 of the previous year.

22. The following statement shows the cost incurred by the Debutter Department in the year under report as compared with that of the previous year.

Heads of charges		1931-32 Rs.	1930-31. Rs.
Establishment (including pay of Debutter Naib Ahikar).	...	15,372	15,607
Pujahs etc.	...	24,459	30,291
Dharmasala	...	1,540	2,171
Miscellaneous	...	8,122	9,289
Total	...	49,493	57,358

23. The ordinary Puja charges of the Sub-divisional Thakurbaris amounted to Rs. 1,350 against the same amount in the previous year.

24. All the periodical Pujas and Sradhs were duly performed during the year under report.

25. The Rash Puja was performed as usual. H:r Highness the Maharani Regent paid a visit to the Thakurbari. The usual decorations and exhibitions of dolls gave much pleasure to H:r Highness.

26. During the year under report 59,569 people were fed at the Sudder Thakurbari and 1238 persons took Sidhas from the Anandamoyee Dharmasala against 59,283 and 1,868 people respectively of the previous year.

27. *Ayurvedic Charitable Dispensary.*—The Ayurvedic Charitable Dispensary continued to be popular. During the year under report 15,099 persons were treated by the Raj Kabiraj against 15,214 persons of the previous year, the daily average being 41.36 against 41.68 of the year before. The Kabiraji garden continued to yield a large quantity of medicinal plants and herbs.

23. *Educational Stipends*.—25 boys received educational stipends during the year under report of whom 11 were Cooch Beharis against the same number of the previous year. Amongst the stipendiaries 3 appeared at the last Matriculation Examination, 1 at the I. A. and 1 at the I. Sc. examination. 1 only appeared at the B. Sc. Examination. 1 also appeared at the final examination from the Calcutta Campbell Medical School. All the boys have come out successful in the respective examinations. 2 new stipends were granted during the year under report. The total amount disbursed for stipends to poor boys was Rs. 2,575 against Rs. 2,530 of the previous year.

29. *Allowances and Donations*.—The following table compares the amounts disbursed by the Debutter Department during the year 1930-31 and 1931-32 :—

	1930-31.	1931-32.
	Rs.	Rs.
Allowance to Rajgons	27,450	27,407
Allowance to Brahmins and others	10,448	10,295
Contribution to public institutions	6,040	4,558
Contribution to religious institutions	581	624
Donations	1,627	2,446
Stipends to poor boys	2,530	2,575

30. *Benares*.—The receipts from the sale proceeds of the garden produce at Benares and the house rents amounted to Rs. 640 against Rs. 590 of the previous year. The increase occurred mainly under house rent. The expenditure on account of establishment and other charges was Rs. 3,087 and Rs. 9,808 respectively against Rs. 4,168 and Rs. 12,271 respectively of the previous year. The number of persons fed at the Chhatra was 84,572 against 84,569 of the previous year.

31. *Brindaban*.—There is nothing particular to report in connection with the State temple at Brindaban.

SECTION V.—MISCELLANEOUS.

32. *Bundars*.—The total number of carts registered at the Haldibari Bundar during the year under report fell from 42,403 to 30,306 showing a decrease of 12,097 carts. The total amount of tolls collected from the carts together with miscellaneous receipts came up to Rs. 3,786 during the year under report against Rs. 5,308 of the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 1,522. The expenditure during the year under report was Rs. 1,443-5-9 against Rs. 1,434-15-3 of the previous year showing an increase of Rs. 8-6-6 due to the periodical increment of salaries in the permanent establishment.

Haldibari Bundar owes its importance to its being a chief jute business centre in the Northern Bengal and to the establishment of some European Firms to carry on jute business therein. But it is of late declining, the main cause being the slump in the jute market for a few years. Some people think that the rise of two bunders at Panchagarh and Bhowlaganj, both in the Chaklajat Estate, have also contributed to the decline of Haldibari. This, however, does not appear to be correct. Even if so, the loss in Haldibari will be compensated by gain in Panchagarh and Bhowlaganj so that Cooch Behar as a whole will not be loser. The main cause of decline of Haldibari is the opening of a new Railway line, called Dinajpur-Ruha line, as a portion of the jute traffic has been diverted in this direction. But this is beyond the control of the State. The only scope for its improvement is by improving the condition of the roads leading to the Bundar. The absence of a bridge at Kasiabari is keenly felt by the merchants.

Other important Bundars, *viz.*, the Bundars at Jamaladah, Changrabandha, and Mekligunj in the Mekligunj Sub-Division, Chowrahat and Chowdhurirhat in Dinbata, Buxirhat Bundar and the Balarampur Bundar in the Sub-Division of Tufangunj are all declining for the world trade depression and for deterioration of roads in the State.

Twenty-two thousands and forty maunds of tobacco, 3,700 maunds of jute and 6,290 maunds of paddy were exported from the Calikagunj Bunder at Mathabhanga during the year under report against 1,725 maunds of tobacco, 1,086 maunds of jute and 1,900 maunds of paddy of the previous year.

33. The Rash Mela was held as usual at Cooch Behar from the 21st to the 30th November, 1931. The attendance numbered about 30,000 which can be considered very satisfactory and local trade benefited considerably. The revenue collection for the Mela was Rs. 1,479 and expenditure Rs. 987.

34.—*Fairs*.—The total collections from the Garodhat, the Fulbari and the Changrabandha Melas amounted to Rs. 395 against Rs. 528 of the previous year. Annual fairs were held as usual at Dinbata, Haldibari and Cooch Behar and the collections thereof were made over to the respective Town Committees. The income from the Gadadhar Mela, the Sivaratri Mela at Banerwar and the Biruni Suan Mela at Kalighat in the Sudier was Rs. 150, Rs. 70 and Rs. 8 respectively against Rs. 178, Rs. 84 and Rs. 8 respectively of the previous year.

35. *Cooch Behar Town*.—The current demand of Land Revenue of the Town was Rs. 21,943 against Rs. 21,238 of the previous year showing an increase of Rs. 705 as detailed below:—

Particulars of increase.	Amount. Rs.	Particulars of decrease.	Amount. Rs.
Increase due to settlement of Khas lands ...	124	Decrease due to acquisition of land for State purpose ...	88
Increase due to modification of jama according to settlement list ...	23	Decrease due to lands made Khas ...	57
Increase due to progressive enhancement ...	788	Decrease due to rectification of mistakes ...	61
		Decrease due to resumption of Dakhali Sattwa lands owing to creation of illegal tenures.	24
Total ...	935	Total ...	230

Together with the arrear demand of Rs. 5,626, the total demand amounted to Rs. 27,569, out of which Rs. 20,213 including an excess payment of Rs. 723 was collected and Rs. 330 was remitted leaving a balance of Rs. 7,749 at the close of the year against Rs. 5,481 of the previous year. Out of the total balance, Rs. 5,328 was out of the current demand and Rs. 2,421 out of the arrear demand. Of the total balance shown above a sum of Rs. 2,539 represents arrears due from the Court of Wards.

36. *Emigration and Immigration*.—There was not a single case of Emigration and Immigration during the year under report.

37. *General Remarks*.—On the whole the condition of the year was bad in point of collection of revenue. Owing to the economic depression prevailing throughout the State, the collection of land revenue which forms the principal source of income of the State suffered badly. The effect of this depression was felt in every branch of the Revenue Administration. All the Hâts, Ghâts and Fisheries in the State, the terms of settlement of which expired in the year under report, had to be settled at a much reduced jumma on account of absence of bidders and competition; the consumption of all excisable articles and opium fell considerably and consequently the shops had to be resettled at a much lower rate. On account of the fall in the price of all agricultural produce, the undertenants found it difficult to pay rents to their superior land-lords and the jotedars failed to collect rent and pay the State revenue regularly. To ameliorate their condition all sorts of facilities and concessions were granted for payment of revenue by extending the time for payment, granting remission of penalty and exemption from payment of stamp duty and interest, &c. A remission of $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of State revenue for 1349 B. S. was granted to those Jotedars who paid their full revenue in 1336 B. S. and a remission of $\frac{1}{4}$ th of State revenue to those who paid their revenue in part. This had the desired effect and most of the Jotedars availed themselves of these concessions with alacrity and earned large remissions. Notwithstanding all these, however, the world wide economic depression had its effect in Cooch Behar and large arrears have accumulated.

CHAPTER IV.

JUDICIAL—CIVIL JUSTICE.

2. *Charge.*—Srijut Satindra Nath Guha, B.L., was in charge of the office of the Civil and Sessions Judge throughout the year.

3. *Institution, disposal and pending of suits.*—The number of regular suits instituted during the year was 9,952, the number disposed of was 10,303 and the number which remained pending at the close of the year was 1,092 against 12,882, 13,597 and 1,443 respectively of the previous year.

Statement No. I shows the number of regular suits instituted, disposed of during the year and the number pending at the close of the year in each court,

4. *Execution cases.*—The number of applications filed for the execution of decrees was 10,034, the number disposed of was 9,845 and the number which remained pending at the close of the year was 3,137 against 8,773, 8,242 and 2,949 respectively of the previous year.

Statement No. II shows the number of applications filed for the execution of decrees, the number disposed of during the year and the number pending at the close of the year in each court.

5. *Miscellaneous cases.*—The number of miscellaneous cases instituted during the year was 2,678, the number disposed of was 2608 and the number which remained pending at the close of the year was 708 against 2,117, 1,899 and 638 respectively of the previous year.

6. *Certificate cases*—The number of applications for certificates for Guardianship under Act VII of 1921 was 8, the number disposed of was 5 and the number which remained pending at the close of the year was 4 against 9, 14 and 1 respectively of the previous year.

The number of applications for Succession certificates under Act V of 1898 was 33, the number disposed of was 23 and the number which remained pending at the close of the year was 8 against 43, 47 and 3 respectively of the previous year.

7. *Probate cases.*—There were 8 applications under the Probate and Administration Act, the number disposed of was 10 and the number which remained pending at the close of the year was nil against 13, 17 and 2 respectively of the previous year.

8. *Local enquiry.*—109 cases required local enquiry during the year and enquiries were completed in 86 cases, 14 cases were returned without enquiry and 9 cases remained pending at the close of the year. During the previous year 136 cases were enquired into leaving only 32 cases pending at the close of the year.

9. *Appeals.*—The number of appeals preferred during the year was 512 and the number disposed of during the year was 386 against 297 and 249 respectively of the previous year. About 96 per cent of these appeals are miscellaneous appeals against orders dismissing applications for setting aside sales. The object of these appeals is simply to get further time for paying off the decretal money on account of the extreme economic difficulty of the people.

Statement No. III shows the result of appeals against the decrees of each of the Subordinate Judicial Officers.

10. *Finance.*—The amount of stamp duty realised during year under report was Rs. 1,77,779-11-9 against Rs. 1,90,059-9-6 of the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 12,279-13-9.

The amount of process fee &c. realised during the year was Rs. 48,917-4-0 against Rs. 47,909-4-0 of the previous year showing an increase of Rs. 1,008.

The total receipt of the Department during the year under report amounted to Rs. 2,35,302-9-8 and the total disbursements Rs. 65,867-13-0 against Rs. 2,48,238-14-2 and Rs. 71,100-15-1 respectively of the previous year.

The net receipts amounted to Rs. 1,69,435-12-8 against Rs. 1,77,137-15-1 of the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 7,702-2-5.

CHAPTER V.

JUDICIAL.—CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

Charge.—Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., held charge of the Office of the Fouzdari Ahilkar up to 30th December, 1931. Srijut Uma Nath Dutt, B.L., took charge of the Office on the 31st December, 1931.

2. The names of Officers who held charge of the Subordinate Criminal Courts and the changes which took place during the year under report are mentioned below :—

Names of Sub-divisions.	Names of Naib Ahilkars.	Period of remaining in charge.	Names of Additional Naib Ahilkars.	Period of remaining in charge.
Sudder ...	Srijut Himadriballabh Biswas, M. A., B. L., Sudder Sub-Divisional Officer.	From 1st April to 19th June 1931,	.....	.....
	Srijut Himadriballabh Biswas, M. A., B. L., Settlement N. A.	From 20th June 1931 to 27th December 1931.	.....	.....
	Srijut Lalit Mohan Bakshi, B. L., Debutter Naib Ahilkar.	From 1st April, 1931 to 31st March 1932.	.....	.....
	Srijut Niranjan Sen Gupta, M. A., B. L., Treasury Officer.	From 1st April 1931 to 31st March 1932.	Srijut Dwijendra Ch. Sen, B. L., Addl. Mal. N.A.	From 1st April to 2nd May 1931 for Census work and from 3rd May to 5th November 1931 and from 20th November 1931 to 31st March 1932.
Tufangunj ...	Srijut Manabendra Nath Bhattacharjee, B. L., Naib Ahilkar.	From 1st April 1931 to 31st March 1932.	.....	.....
Dinhata ...	Srijut Sarat Chandra Ghosal, M.A., B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	From 1st April to 28th December 1931.	Srijut Siddheswar Banerjee, M. A., B.L., Addl. N.A.	From 1st April to 1st November 1931 and from 12th November 1931 to 31st March 1932.
	Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B.L., N. A.	From 29th December 1931 to 31st March 1932,	.....	.....
Mathabhanga ...	Srijut Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B. L., N. A.	From 1st April 1931 to 31st March 1932.	Moulvi Ahmed Hossain Proddhan, B. L., Addl. N. A.	From 1st April 1931 to 31st March 1932.
Mekligunj ...	Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy B.L., N. A.	From 1st April to 5th November 1931 and from 20th November to 27th December 1931.	.....	.....
	Srijut Dwijendra Chandra Sen B. L., Naib Ahilkar.	From 6th November to 19th November 1931.	.....	.....
	Srijut Himadriballabh Biswas, M. A., B. L., Naib Ahilkar.	From 28th December 1931 to 31st March 1932.	.....	.....

3. *Bench of Honorary Magistrates at Haldibari.*—Mr. T. McMurphy held charge of the Bench from the beginning of the year to 13th February, 1932. For the rest of the year the charge was held by Srijut Abinash Chandra Ganguli.

There were altogether 42 sittings of the Bench against 33 of the previous year.

The following table shows the attendance of the members of the Bench :—

Names of Magistrates.			No. of days present.
Mr. T. McMurphy	...	...	34
Moulvi Dhajaruddin Prodhan	...	...	20
Srijut Abinash Chandra Ganguli	...	...	42

The number of cases tried by the Bench during the year was 91 against 60 of the previous year showing an increase of 31 cases. Of these, 82 were Cognizable and 9 Non-Cognizable cases.

The following table shows in detail the number of cases received by the Bench from different sources during the past three years :—

Year.			From Haldibari Police Station.	From Haldibari Town Committee.	Total.
1929-30	...	...	85	5	90
1930-31	...	...	54	6	60
1931-32	...	...	82	9	91

4. *Criminal Statistics.*—The following table shows the number of cases, Cognizable and Non-Cognizable, instituted during the past three years :—

YEAR.			Offences.		Total.
			Cognizable.	Non-cognizable.	
1929-30	...	...	1794	1180	2974
1930-31	...	...	1491	960	2451
1931-32	...	...	1472	854	2326

The total number of cases reported during the year was 2326 against 2451 in the previous year showing a decrease of 125 cases.

5. *Cognizable & Non Cognizable Cases.*—The following table shows the number and variety of offences reported during the year as compared with those of the previous year :—

CLASS OF OFFENCE.	Cognizable Statement A, Part I.				Non-cognizable Statement B, Part I.			
	1930-31.	1931-32.	Increase.	Decrease.	1930-31.	1931-32.	Increase.	Decrease.
I. Offences against the State ...	25	44	19	...	47	104	57	...
II. Serious offences against persons	95	83	...	12	3	...	...	3
III. Do. against property...	615	457	...	158	4	2	...	2
IV. Minor offences against persons...	22	15	...	7	283	270	...	13
V. Do. against property ...	416	401	...	15	217	144	...	73
VI. Other offences ...	316	469	153	...	116	117	1	...
Cases under Special & Local Laws	2	8	1	...	290	217	...	73
Total ...	1,491	1,472	178	192	960	854	58	164

6. The following statement gives the result of the past three years as regards persons brought to trial, convicted, acquitted or otherwise disposed of :—

Particulars.	1929-1930.			1930-1931.			1931-1932.		
	Cogniz- able.	Non- cogniz- able.	Total.	Cogniz- able.	Non- cogniz- able.	Total.	Cogniz- able.	Non- cogniz- able.	Total.
Number of cases dealt with including pend- ing cases in the preceding year.	1,886	1,333	3,218	1,610	1,083	2,693	1,634	964	2, 98
Number of persons brought to trial	1,626	1,477	3,103	1,399	1,394	2,793	2,002	1,242	3,214
Convicted	760	474	1,234	548	307	855	740	345	1, 85
Released	409	174	583	208	188	476	488	198	686
Otherwise disposed of	318	684	1,002	337	7 9	1,126	486	594	1,000
Pending at the close of the year	139	145	284	226	110	336	588	106	448
Percentage of conviction to total number of persons tried.	46.74	32.23	39.76	39.16	22.02	30.60	30.69	27.77	33.44

7. *Cases not enquired into.*—Under section 157 (b) of the Criminal Procedure Code the Police refused investigation in 186 cases during the year against 277 in the previous year.

8. *Abstract of heinous offences.*—

Murder.—5 cases of murder were reported during the year against 7 in the previous year. With 2 cases that remained pending at the close of the previous year there were altogether 7 cases, to be dealt with. Of these 7 cases, 3 were not detected 2 were shown as mistake of law, and 2 ended in acquittal.

Culpable homicide.—2 cases of culpable homicide not amounting to murder were reported during the year against 2 in the preceding year. Of these 2 cases one was declared to be false and the other was not detected.

Dacoity.—26 cases were reported during the year against 42 of the preceding year. Together with 17 cases that remained pending at the close of the preceding year and 1 case which was transferred from Serial No. 29, there were altogether 44 cases to be dealt with. Of these 44 cases, 2 ended in conviction, 29 were not detected, 1 was declared to be false, 1 ended in acquittal, 1 declared false non-cognizable and 10 remained pending at the close of the year.

Rape.—Four cases were reported during the year against the same number of the preceding year. Together with 2 cases that remained pending at the close of the preceding year there were altogether 6 cases to be dealt with. Of these 6 cases, one ended in conviction, one in acquittal, one declared false non-cognizable and 3 remained pending at the close of the year.

Unnatural offences.—2 cases were reported during the year against nil of the previous year. Of these 2 cases, 1 was declared false and the other was not detected.

Robbery.—17 cases were reported during the year against 21 of the previous year. With 2 cases pending at the close of the previous year together with one transferred from serial number 29 there were altogether 20 cases to be dealt with. Of these 20 cases, three were declared to be false, one ended in conviction, 5 in acquittal, 10 were not detected and one was declared false non-cognizable.

Kidnapping.—15 cases of kidnapping against 17 in the previous year were reported during the year under review. Together with 4 cases remaining pending at the close of the preceding year there were altogether 19 cases to be dealt with. Of these 19 cases, 2 were declared false, 1 ended in conviction, 8 in acquittal, 2 declared false non-cognizable, 2 not detected and 4 remained pending at the close of the year.

Arson cases.—Nine cases against 7 of the preceding year were reported during the year. With 2 cases that remained pending at the close of the previous year, there were altogether 11 cases to be dealt with. Of these 11 cases, 1 was declared false non-cognizable, 8 were not detected and 2 remained pending at the close of the year.

9. The following table shows the number of appeals preferred during the year with their results :—

Names of officers.	Total No. of persons convicted.	Total No. of Appeals	Order confirmed.	Appeal rejected.	Order modified.	Order reversed.	Pending.
<i>Sudder.</i>							
Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B. L., Fouzdari Ahilkar ...	9	3	2	...	...	1	...
" Himadriballabh Biswas, M.A., B.L., Sudder Sub-Divisional Officer.	6	6	2	...	2	1	...
" Himadriballabh Biswas, M.A., B.L., Settlement N. A.	3	2	...	2	...	...	...
" Lalit Mohan Baksi, B.L., Debutter Naib Ahilkar ...	10	6	2	1	1	2	...
" Niranjan Sen Gupta, M.A., B.L., Treasury Officer ...	5	3	...	1	1	1	...
" Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B.L., Additional Mulkutchery Naib Ahilkar.	9	7	3	1	1	2	...
<i>Tufanganj.</i>							
Srijut Manabendra Nath Bhattacharjee, B.L., Naib Ahilkar...	9	3	1	1	1	...	...
<i>Dinhata.</i>							
Srijut Sarat Chandra Ghosal, M.A., B.L., Naib Ahilkar ...	24	17	5	9	1	2	...
" Nagendra Nath Roy B. L., Naib Ahilkar ...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...
" Siddheswar Banerjee, M. A., B. L., Additional N. A. ...	37	13	7	4	1	1	...
<i>Mathabhanga.</i>							
Srijut Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B.L., Naib Ahilkar ...	29	16	9	3	4	...	...
Moulvi Ahmed Hossain Prodhan, B.L., Additional N. A.	15	9	3	4	...	1	1
<i>Mekligunj.</i>							
Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B. L., Naib Ahilkar ...	10	7	3	2	2	...	...
Total	167	93	39	25	14	11	1

10 The following table shows the distribution of work in the Criminal Court for the year under report :—

Names of Courts.	Number of cases.	Number of persons.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Otherwise disposed of.	Pending.	Percentage of conviction.
<i>Sudder.</i>							
Srijut Satindra Nath Guha, B. L., Sessions Judge ...	24	76	35	26	...	15	57.37
" Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B. L., Fouzdari Ahilkar ...	306	194	143	18	35	...	74.07
" Umanath Dutt, B. L., Fouzdari Ahilkar ...	14	128	66	9	6	47	1.48
" Himadriballabh Biswas, M.A., B.L., Sudder Sub-Divisional Officer.	87	54	36	8	10	...	66.66
" Himadriballabh Biswas, M.A., B.L., Settlement N. A. ...	47	44	26	11	7	...	59.09
" Lalit Mohan Baksi, B.L., Debutter Naib Ahilkar ...	43	78	15	45	11	7	21.18
" Niranjan Sen Gupta, M.A., B.L., Treasury Officer ...	31	61	12	32	8	15	25.46
" Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B.L., Additional Mal. Naib Ahilkar.	41	78	11	25	15	24	23.37
Total	763	717	344	175	87	111	56.76
<i>Tufanganj.</i>							
Srijut Manabendra Nath Bhattacharjee, B.L., Naib Ahilkar...	234	386	55	41	237	53	16.51
Total	234	386	55	41	237	53	16.51
<i>Dinhata.</i>							
Srijut Sarat Chandra Ghosal, M. A. B. L., Naib Ahilkar ...	308	321	184	78	59	...	57.32
" Nagendra Nath Roy, B. L., Naib Ahilkar ...	14	135	88	6	41	50	44.70
" Siddheswar Banerjee, M.A., B.L., Additional Naib Ahilkar	225	628	99	191	286	53	17.23
Total	717	1,084	321	275	386	104	32.72
<i>Mathabhanga.</i>							
Srijut Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B.L., Naib Ahilkar ...	173	378	133	37	156	44	41.86
Moulvi Ahmed Hossain Prodhan, B.L., Additional Naib Ahilkar.	181	353	78	71	153	51	22.9
Total	554	723	217	108	309	95	34.22
<i>Mekligunj.</i>							
Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B.L., Naib Ahilkar ...	143	112	51	28	33	...	45.43
" Himadriballabh Biswas M. A. B. L., Naib Ahilkar ...	57	121	7	6	27	81	17.5
" Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B. L., Additional Naib Ahilkar	8	3	1	...	2	...	33.33
Total	208	236	59	34	62	81	38.06
<i>Haldibari.</i>							
Bench Magistrates' Court.	92	92	89	3	...	...	96.73
Total	92	92	89	3	...	...	96.73
Grand Total	2,596	3,214	1,085	636	1,080	443	58.73

11. The following table gives the result of commitments to the Court of Sessions :—

Names of committing Officers.	No. of cases.	No. of persons committed.	No. of persons convicted.	No. of persons released.	Otherwise disposed of.	Pending.	Percentage of conviction.
<i>Sudder.</i>							
Srijut Umanath Dutt B.L., Fouzdari Ahilkar	1	8	...	...	...	8	...
„ Himadriballabh Biswas, M. A., B.L., Sudder Sub-divisional Officer.	3	15	10	5	...	..	66.66
<i>Tufanguni.</i>							
Srijut Manabendra Nath Bhattacharjee, B. L., Naib Ahilkar.	2	3	1	...	...	2	100.
<i>Dinhata.</i>							
Srijut Sarat Chandra Ghosal, M.A., B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	7	25	12	13	...	...	48.00
Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B.L., Naib Ahilkar...	1	2	2	...	..	...	100.
<i>Mathabhanga.</i>							
Srijut Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	9	22	9	8	...	5	40.90
<i>Mekligunj.</i>							
„ Himadriballabh Biswas, M. A., B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	1	1	1	...	...	...	100.
Total ...	24	76	35	26	...	15	57.37

12. The following table gives the longest, shortest and average period of detention of undertrial prisoners :—

Names of Officers.	Longest period of detention.	Shortest period of detention.	Average period of detention.
SUDDER.	Days.	Days.	
Srijut Satindra Nath Guha, B. L., Sessions Judge ...	246	3	117.75
„ Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., Fouzdari Ahilkar ...	146	2	28.68
„ Umanath Dutt, B.L., Fouzdari Ahilkar.	52	2	22.52
„ Himadriballabh Biswas M.A., B.L., Sudder Sub-divisional Officer.	51	2	23.50
„ Lalit Mohan Baksi, B. L., Debutter Naib Ahilkar. ...	51	2	23.50
„ Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B. L., Addl. Mal. Naib Ahilkar....	2	2	2.00
TUFANGUNJ.			
Srijut Manabendra Nath Bhattacharjee, B.L., Naib Ahilkar ...	162	3	44.80
DINHATA.			
Srijut Sarat Chandra Ghosal, M.A., B.L., Naib Ahilkar ...	158	3	50.09
MATHABHANGA.			
Srijut Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B.L., Naib Ahilkar ...	84	2	24.90
Moulvi Ahmed Hossain Prodhan, B.L., Additional Naib Ahilkar	30	3	13.00
MEKLIQUNJ.			
Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B.L., Naib Ahilkar ...	44	10	22.00
„ Himadriballabh Biswas, M. A. B. L., Naib Ahilkar.	6	6	6.00

13. *Miscellaneous proceedings under the Code of Criminal Procedure :—*
The following statement gives the necessary information in regard to such cases :—

Nature of case.	No. of cases including those pending from last year.	Dismissed.	Decreed or orders passed against the accused.	Compromised.	Struck off, i.e. dismissed summarily.	Pending.	Remarks.
Maintenance	12	1	1	9	.....	1	
Right of way	17	4	2	9	1	1	
Security to keep the pence under Sections 106 and 107, Cr. P.C.	17	9	.....	2	2	4	
Security under Secs. 109, and 110 Cr. P. C.	38	.....	23	.....	.....	15	
Total ...	84	14	26	20	3	21	

14. *Compensation paid to Complainants and Accused.*—A sum of Rs. 149 was paid to complainants under section 545 of the Criminal Procedure Code in the several courts during the year under review against Rs. 317 in the previous year. Rs. 10 was paid as compensation to the accused under section 250 of the Criminal Procedure Code during the year.

15. *Realisation of fines.*—The following table shows the result of realisation of fines during the last three years :—

Years.	Balance of the previous year.	Imposed during the year.	Total amount to be realised.	Realised during the year.	Remitted or written off.	Balance of the year.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1929-30 ...	6,272	8,602	14,874	6,846	2,797	5,231
1930-31 ...	4,807	5,563	10,370	3,716	790	5,863
1931-32 ...	5,863	5,188	11,051	560	3,501	6,990

16. *Stamps and Court Fees.*—The following table shows the income from stamps and court-fees in the various criminal courts in the State for the year under report as compared with that of the previous year :—

Names of Courts.	Stamps.		Court-fees.		Total.	
	1930-31.	1931-32.	1930-31.	1931-32.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Budder ...	1,067	1,098	712	576	1,779	1,664
Tufanganj ...	696	585	245	162	941	747
Dinhata ...	1,074	917	280	237	1,354	1,154
Mathabhanga ...	1,230	730	753	417	1,983	1,147
Mekligunj ...	392	337	114	107	506	444
Haldibari ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	4,459	3,667	2,104	1,499	6,563	5,166

17. The following statement shows the number and detention of witnesses who appeared before the Criminal Courts in the State during the year under report:—

Names and designations of Magistrates.	Total number of witnesses who appeared during the year.	Number of witnesses examined.	Number of witnesses discharged without examination.	Number of witnesses not examined and finally discharged.	DETENTION OF WITNESSES ENTERED IN COLUMNS 8 AND 4 FOR—							
					One day.	Two days.	Three days.	Four days.	Five to seven days.	Eight to fifteen days.	More than fifteen days.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
SUDDER.												
Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., Fouzdari Ahilkar.	168	152	16	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ Umanath Dutt, B. L., Fouzdari Ahilkar.	116	74	26	16	83	10	6	1	...	...	...
„ Himadriballabh Biswas, M. A., B. L., Sub-Divisional Officer.	209	166	43	...	159	26	21	...	...	...	...
„ Himadriballabh Biswas, M. A., B. L., Settlement Naib Ahilkar.	253	221	32	...	207	44	2	...	...	...	...
„ Lalit Mohan Baksi, B. L., Debutter Naib Ahilkar.	171	128	2	23	95	43	10	...	...	...	...
„ Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B.L., Additional Malcutchery Naib Ahilkar.	210	171	39	...	126	60	21	...	...	...	...
„ Niranjan Sen Gupta, M.A., B.L., Treasury Officer.	141	102	9	30	81	22	8	...	...	...	...
Total	1,268	1,014	15	69	919	205	74	1	...	...	...
TUFANGUNJ.												
Srijut Manabendra Nath Bhattacharjee, B. L., Naib Ahilkar.	1,052	749	165	138	711	128	50	14	11	...	...
Total	1,052	749	165	138	711	128	50	14	11	...	...
DINHATA.												
Srijut Sarat Chandra Ghosal, M.A., B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	45	398	43	4	367	68	11	...	...	...	...
„ Nagendra Nath Roy, B. L., Naib Ahilkar.	281	352	10	19	338	17	7	...	...	...	...
„ Siddheswar Banerjee, M. A., B. L. Additional Naib Ahilkar.	467	343	120	4	272	116	56	16	4	...	...
Total	1,298	1,093	178	27	977	200	74	16	4	...	...
MATHABHANGA.												
Srijut Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	806	778	28	...	731	75	...	...	...	...	...
Moulvi Ahmed Hossain Prodhan, B. L., Additional Naib Ahilkar.	376	323	53	...	256	74	46	...	...	...	...
Total	1,182	1,101	81	...	987	149	46	...	...	...	...
MEKLIGUNJ.												
Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	599	487	96	7	447	17	19	...	...	...	...
„ Himadriballabh Biswas M.A.B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	168	157	13	18	126	2	...	...	...	...	...
„ Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B. L., Naib Ahilkar.	32	80	2	...	29	3	...	...	...	...	...
Total	799	654	111	25	602	14	19	...	...	...	...
HALDIBARI.												
Bench Magistrates' Court	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand Total	5,591	4,613	720	259	4,197	826	263	31	15	...	...

18. The following statement shows the miscellaneous work done by the different courts :—

Names of Courts.	No. of petitions received.	No. of processes of all kinds issued.	No. of reports heard.	No. of Robocaries received.	No. of bail bonds executed.	No. of recognizance bonds executed.	No. of Robocaries issued.
Sudder	1677	3509	107	323	191	215	318
Tufangunj	732	2344	82	12	74	76	14
Dinhata	1069	3845	84	65	182	255	85
Mathabhanga	808	3723	241	21	379	215	53
Mekligunj	450	1803	144	11	58	53	36
Haldibari	...	15	...	13	...	...	93
Total	4,781	14,239	661	445	532	814	594

19. *Recovery of wives.*—There were 52 petitions for recovery of wives during the year against 44 in the previous year. Of these 52 cases, 23 were dismissed, in 6 cases the women denied marriage, in 22 cases the wives were restored to their husbands and 1 remained pending at the close of the year.

20. The following statement shows the number of records received in the Record Room during the year under report :—

COURTS.	Records of regular cases.	Miscellaneous cases.	Total.
Sudder	573	191	764
Tufangunj	284	53	337
Dinhata	706	82	788
Mathabhanga	601	54	655
Mekligunj	214	60	274
Haldibari Bench	...	...	...
Total	2378	440	2818

The following statement shows the number of records sorted for destruction and preservation during the year under report :—

Courts.	Number of records of regular cases sorted for destruction & preservation.				Total No. of Books & Registers destroyed.	Total No. of miscellaneous papers & bundles destroyed.
	Total No. of records sorted.	Records destroyed wholly.	Records destroyed partly.	Records preserved wholly.		
Sudder	1,071	844	34	193	24	7
Tufangunj	372	308	7	57	6	6
Dinhata	747	548	32	167	5	5
Mathabhanga	592	429	20	143	9	3
Mekligunj	256	187	9	60	5	4
Haldibari Bench	59	59	...	...	...	...
Total	3097	2375	102	620	49	25

21. *Tour of Officers.*—Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., was on tour for 3 days and spent 3 nights away from head-quarters and Srijut Uma Nath Dutt, B.L., was on tour for 18 days and spent 14 nights away from head-quarters. All the Sub-divisions were inspected by the Fouzdari Ahilkar during the year.

The following statement shows the number of days and nights spent on tour by the Sub-divisional Naib Ahilkars :—

Names of Officers.	No. of days.	No. of nights.	Remarks.
TUFANGUNJ.			
Srijut Manabendra Nath Bhattacharjee, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	37	12	
DINHATA.			
Srijut Sarat Chandra Ghosal, M.A., B.L., Naib Ahilkar	18	4	
„ Nagendra Nath Roy, B.L., Naib Ahilkar	25	12	
„ Siddheswar Banerjee, M.A., B.L., Additional Naib Ahilkar.	33	9	
MATHABHANGA.			
Srijut Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B.L., Naib Ahilkar...	78	21	
Moulvi Ahmed Hosain Prodhan, B.L., Additional Naib Ahilkar.	18	4	
MEKLIUNJ.			
Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B.L., Naib Ahilkar	37	18	
„ Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B.L., Naib Ahilkar	4	.....
„ Himadribullabh Biswas, M.A., B.L., Naib Ahilkar	40	26	

CHAPTER VI.

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

1. *Charge.*—Srijut Satindra Nath Guha, B L., held charge of the Office of Registrar of Deeds throughout the year.

2. *Number of deeds presented for registration.*—The number of documents presented for registration during the year under report was 14,571 against 15,256 of the previous year, shewing a decrease of 685 deeds.

3. *Variations regarding the different kinds of documents.*—Table No. I, hereto appended, compares the number of documents of different kinds presented for registration during the year under report with that of the previous year.

4. *Number of documents presented for registration in the different offices.*—Table No. II, hereto appended, shews the numbers of documents presented for registration in the different offices.

Of the 14,571 deeds presented for registration, 20 were refused registration and 22 were pending at the close of the year, and the remaining 14,529 deeds were actually registered. Besides these, 3 deeds were admitted to registration during the year under report out of those which were pending registration from the previous year. Thus the total number of documents actually registered during the year was 14,532. None of these remained uncopied at the end of the year.

5. *Number of deeds registered by the Registrar of Deeds.*—The Registrar of Deeds registered 9 deeds in the year under report against 14 of the previous year.

6. *Receipts.*—The total receipts under all heads during the year amounted to Rs. 15,612-2-0 against Rs. 16,464-5-0 of the previous year, shewing a decrease of Rs. 2,852-3-0.

7. *Disbursements.*—The total disbursements of the Department during the year amounted to Rs. 10,261-8-9 against Rs. 12,342-6-11 of the previous year, shewing a decrease of Rs. 2,080-14-2.

8. *Net gain to the State.*—The net balance received by the State was Rs. 3,350-9-3 against Rs. 4,121-14-1 of the previous year, shewing a decrease of Rs. 771-4-10.

Table No. III, hereto appended, compares the amounts of receipts and disbursements of the Department during the year under report with those of the year previous.

9. *Appeals and petitions.*—No appeal or petition was instituted under section 72 or 73 of the Registration Act during the year under report. The 3 applications under Section 73 which remained pending at the end of the previous year were all disposed of during the year under report.

10. *Registration under the Companies Act.*—No new company was registered during the year under report.

CHAPTER VII.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

I.—POLICE.

Charge.—Mr. D. F. Lesslie, I.P., held charge of the Office of the Superintendent of Police up to the 22nd April, 1931, on which he handed over charge to Rai S. C. Kanjilal Bahadur who has remained in charge throughout the year.

2. *Enlistment and disposition of the Force.*—The sanctioned and actual strength of the Force on the 31st March, 1932, was as given below:—

Rank.	Unarmed Branch.		Armed Branch.	
	Sanctioned strength.	Actual strength.	Sanctioned strength.	Actual strength.
Inspector ...	2	1	.....	.....
Sub-Inspectors ...	17	17	1	1
Assistant Sub-Inspectors	24	21	.....	.....
Head Constables	...	.....	12	12
Constables	141	130	78	76
Fire Brigade Crew	.....	.....	2	2
Total ...	184	169	93	91

3. *Unarmed branch.*—In the vacant post of Inspector in the Sudder Circle a Sub-Inspector was employed to carry on current duties. Appointment of an Inspector for this Circle is under consideration.

The three vacancies in the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector were temporarily filled up by acting arrangements from amongst literate Constables, while those in the rank of Constables were left unfilled to keep down establishment charges.

4. *Armed branch.*—The special point for note in regard to the Armed Branch is that it provides for a very insufficient Emergency Force and the reserve for leave and casualties is also inadequate. Accordingly, a proposal was submitted during the year for an increase of strength both in the Armed and Unarmed branches, which has not yet been sanctioned.

The number of new appointments made during the year in order to fill up vacancies were 3 Assistant Sub-Inspectors and 5 Constables and at the end of the year 1 Sub-Inspector, 2 Assistant Sub-Inspectors and 2 Constables were under training.

Of the total force on the last day of the year 12 were Cooch Beharis and 248 outsiders.

The disposition of the Force as on the last day of the year is shewn in the following statement:—

Particulars.	Inspector.	Sub-Inspector.	Assistant Sub-Inspector.	Head Constable.	Constable.
ARMED BRANCH.—					
Emergency Force	...	1	...	2	15
Escort Force	2	10
<i>Fired Guards:—</i>					
Sudder Treasury	1	9*
Dinhata "	1	4
Mathabhanga Treasury	1	4
Mekligunj "	1	4
Tufangunj "	1	4
Debigunj "	6†
Magazine	5†
Vice-President's Bungalow	1	4
Fire Brigade	2
Miscellaneous Duties	6
Leave	2	2
Vacancies	5
Total	...	1	...	12	80

Particulars	Inspector.	Sub-Inspector.	Assistant Sub-Inspectors.	Head Constable.	Constable.
UNARMED BRANCH.—					
Reserved Office	...	1	2	...	...
Orderlies	3
Miscellaneous Duties	8
Reader to Supdt. of Police	...	1	...	...	...
Divisional Inspector, Sudder	...	1	1	...	1
Ditto Mathabhanga	1	...	1	...	...
COURT OFFICER.—					
Sudder	...	1	1	...	4
Dinhata	1	...	3
Mathabhanga	...	1	1	...	3
Mekligunj	1	...	2
Tufangunj	1	...	2
THANAS.—					
Kotawali	...	2	2	...	16
Dinhata	...	2	2	...	14
Mathabhanga	...	2	1	...	13
Mekligunj	...	1	1	...	12
Tufangunj	...	1	2	...	12
Haldibari	...	1	...	...	9
Shitalkhuchi	...	1	1	...	8
Sitai	...	1	...	...	5
Leave	1	...	15
Under training	...	1	2	...	2
Vacancies	1	...	3	...	8§
Total	2	17	24	...	141
Grand total	2	18	24	12	221

* 1 Constable officiating as a Head Constable.

+ 1 Constable officiating as a Head Constable.

‡ 1 Constable officiating as a Literate Constable.

§ Temporarily filled up by appointing Constables to act.

5. *Cost.*—The original budget provision for the year was Rs. 98,148 against Rs. 1,15,522 of the previous year while the revised provision was for Rs. 98,262. But ultimately the total expenditure amounted to Rs. 96,392-15-2 as against Rs. 1,11,251-5-10 in the previous year.

6. *Cognizable Cases.*—Taking classes I to V together, which represent all the important forms of crime, including offences against property, the number of cognizable cases reported to the Police was 742 during the year as against 899 in the previous year, or a satisfactory decrease of 157 cases, mostly under offences against property, inspite of a serious economic depression. The most important fluctuations are—dacoity 26 against 42, robbery 15 against 21, and burglary 394 against 533,—a result achieved by more vigorous preventive measures. Under class VI which includes "Local & Special Laws" the figures are 445 cases reported as against 293 of the previous year or an increase of 152 cases which resulted from more prosecutions during the year for bad-livelihood and nuisance punishable under local Laws. The figures under these two heads were 388 and 35 as against 258 and 23 respectively in the previous year.

In all, including 108 cases pending from the previous year, the Police had to deal with 1,295 cases under classes I to VI as against 1,299 during the preceding year.

Of the 1,295 cases, 186 were refused enquiry while 1,109 were actually investigated with the result that 579 were sent up for trial, 377 were returned as true, 84 as intentionally false and 41 as false due to mistake of law or fact or as non-cognizable. 78 cases remained pending at the close of the year either with the Police or the Magistrate.

7. *Proportion of Police to population and area.*—The following table shows the proportion of Police employed on purely Police work (prevention and detection of crime) to population and that of cognizable cases investigated to population during the last two years :—

Year.	Police.	Population.	Cognizable cases.	Proportion of Police to population.	Proportion of Police to cases of cognizable crime investigated.	Proportion of cognizable crime investigated to population.
1930-31	144	5,90,866	1,192	1 to 4103.2	1 to 8.2	1 to 495.6
1931-32	136	5,90,866	1,109	1 to 4344.6	1 to 8.15	1 to 532.79

8. *Proportion of cognizable crime to population and area.*—The following table is for proportion of cognizable cases to population and area in the five Sub-divisions in the State :—

DETAILS	NAMES OF SUB-DIVISIONS.						Total.
	Sukler.	Tufangunj.	Dinhata.	Mathabhanga.	Mekligunj.		
Area in square-miles ...	279	224	271	343	201		1,318
Population ..	1,32,333	85,147	1,48,904	1,39,600	84,682		5,90,866
Pending at the beginning of the year.	22	9	32	30	15		108
Reported during the year.	327	76	332	251	201		1,187
Disposed of during the year.	325	76	350	260	206		1,217
Pending at the end of the year.	24	9	14	21	10		78
Proportion of cognizable crime reported to population.	1 to 435.3	1 to 1120.4	1 to 418.5	1 to 556.1	1 to 421.3		1 to 497.7
Proportion of cognizable crime to area.	1 to 55	1 to 2.9	1 to .8	1 to 1.3	1 to 1		1 to 1.09

9. *False Cases.*—The number of First Information Report cases investigated during the year under report was 569 of which 22 were declared maliciously false.

There were 8 prosecutions for bringing false cases as against 7 during the previous year, and 3 of these ended in conviction, 4 in acquittal and 1 remained pending at the close of the year.

10. *Cases not enquired into.*—The following is a comparative statement of cases reported during the year, which were not investigated under section 157(b) of the Criminal Procedure Code :—

	YEARS.	
	1930-31.	1931-32.
Number of cases ...	1192	1187
Do. not enquired into ...	277	186
Percentage ...	23.2	15.7

11. *Petition Cases.*—14 cognizable cases instituted on complaint were referred to the Police for investigation during the year under report as against 20 in the previous year and they were dealt with as follows :—

Details.	No. of cases.
Sent up in charge sheet ...	5
True (not detected) ...	2
Non-cognizable ...	1
False (owing to mistake of law or fact) ...	1
False (intentionally) ...	5

12. *Property Stolen and Recovered.*—The statement below shows the amounts of property stolen and recovered during the last two years:—

		YEARS.	
		1930-31	1931-32
		Rs.	Rs.
Amount of property stolen	...	84,523-7-5	30,726-4-0
Ditto recovered	...	4,482-5-5	2,346-4-0
Percentage	..	13.03	7.06

13. *Percentage of conviction.*—The result of trial of persons sent up by the Police in cognizable cases is shown in the table below:—

		YEARS.	
		1930-31.	1931-32.
Total number of persons	...	647	985
Acquitted or discharged	...	89	138
Convicted	...	465	675
Otherwise disposed of	...	...	18
Pending trial	...	86	154
Percentage of conviction	...	72.6	68.5

14. *Remands in Police Cases.*—The statement below shows cases in which there were 5 or more remands with the views of the trying Magistrate against each:

Names of trying Magistrates.	No. of remands.	No. of cases with sections.	DATE OF		Duration of trial.	Order.
			Charge sheet.	Final order.		
Srijut Dwijendra Chandra Sen ...	5	14 of April, 1931, Sec. 411 I.P.C.	5-5-31	29-6-31	Y. M. D. 0 1 24	Convicted.
Ditto ...	6	15 of May 1931, Secs. 454, 380 I. P. C.	3-6-31	6-7-31	0 1 3	Acquitted.
Ditto ..	5	13 of Dec. 1931, Sec. 456 I.P.C.	28-12-31	25-1-32	0 0 27	Convicted.
„ Lalit Mohon Baksi ..	8	1 of May 1931, Sec. 379 I.P.C.	14-5-31	31-7-31	0 2 17	Do.
„ Himadribullabh Biswas ..	5	2 of October 1931, Secs. 457, 354, I.P.C.	10-10-31	23-11-31	0 1 13	Do.
„ Nagendra Nath Roy ..	6	6 of March 1931, Sec. 379 I. P. C.	21-4-31	25-6-31	0 2 4	Acquitted.
Ditto ...	7	3 of June 1931 Sec. 379 I.P.C.	21-6-31	2-7-31	0 1 0	Convicted.
Ditto ..	10	7 of June 1931, Sec. 325 I.P.C.	27-7-31	20-9-31	0 2 0	Do.
Ditto ...	12	1 of July 1931, Secs. 147, 417 I.P.C.	12-7-31	28-11-31	0 4 16	Acquitted.
Ditto ...	5	4 of November 1931, Secs. 279 328 I.P.C.	13-11-31	12-12-31	0 0 27	Convicted.
„ Himadribullabh Biswas ..	10	6 of October 1931, Sec. 411 I. P. C.	20-10-31	27-1-32	0 2 27	Acquitted.
Ditto ..	6	2 of Sept. 1931, Secs. 412, 414 I.P.C.	8-10-31	26-1-32	0 3 20	Convicted.
„ Siddheswar Banerjee ..	8	1 of April 1931, Sec. 397 I.P.C.	20-4-31	1-7-31	0 2 10	Discharged.
Ditto ..	12	3 of April, 1931, Sec. 380 I.P.C.	18-4-31	24-6-31	0 2 8	Convicted.
„ Sarat Chandra Ghoshal ..	7	7 of April 1931, Sec. 324, I.P.C.	1-5-31	30-6-31	0 2 0	Do.
„ Siddheswar Banerjee ..	7	1 of June 1931, Secs. 143, 311 447 I.P.C.	19-6-31	5-8-31	0 1 15	Do.
„ Manabendra Nath Bhattacharji	14	9 of Oct. 1931, Secs. 147, 447 I.P.C.	4-11-31	13-2-32	0 4 9	Do.
„ Nirmal Chandra Mustafi ..	12	10 of April 1931, Secs. 147, 320 I.P.C.	15-4-31	5-9-31	0 3 20	Do.
Ditto ...	...	10 of May 1931, Sec. 302 I.P.C.	11-7-31	25-8-31	0 1 14	Acquitted.
Ditto ..	7	1 of July 1931, Secs. 307, 302 I.P.C.	8-12-31	23-2-32	0 2 16	Discharged.
Ditto ...	11	1 of Sept. 1931, Sec. 326, I.P.C.	21-9-31	20-1-32	0 3 29	Acquitted.
Ditto ...	11	5 of Oct. 1931, Sec. 395 I. P. C.	27-12-31	19-3-32	0 2 32	Committed to the sessions.
Ditto ..	9	8 of Oct. 1931, Secs. 457 380 I.P.C.	22-11-31	26-1-32	0 3 4	Convicted.
Ditto ...	8	8 of Dec. 1930, sec. 429 I.P.C.	24-12-31	29-2-32	0 3 5	Do.
Moniri Ahmed Hossain Prodhan ..	11	11 of April 1931, Sec. 411 I. P. C.	12-5-31	21-7-31	0 2 9	Do.
Ditto ..	5	10 of Aug. 1931, Sec. 411 I.P.C.	5-9-31	9-10-31	0 1 4	Do.
Ditto ..	5	6 of August 1931, Sec. 379 I.P.C.	4-9-31	7-10-31	0 1 3	Do.
Ditto ...	5	11 of Oct. 1931, Sec. 411 I.P.C.	1-11-31	14-12-31	0 1 13	Do.
Ditto ...	10	1 of Nov. 1931, Sec. 408 I.P.C.	23-11-31	1-2-32	0 2 8	Do.

15. *Conviction.*—Taking cases reported to the Police, the comparative statement below shows the percentages of convictions in cases and persons :—

Names of Sub-divisions.	193 -31.		1931-32.	
	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.
1. Sudder ...	41·58	98·02	95·18	90·41
2. Tufangunj ...	37·25	69·44	95·	65·85
3. Dinbata ...	52·84	84·21	89·34	79·92
4. Mathabhanga ...	38·78	96·29	89·24	76·92
5. Mekligunj ...	55·65	94·66	95·78	89·52
Whole State ...	45·42	89·59	92·29	83·02

16. *Vagrancy and Bad Character.*—111 persons in 38 cases were prosecuted during the year under the preventive sections, 109 and 110 of the Criminal Procedure Code, as against 43 persons and 15 cases of the preceding year. 52 persons were bound down, 11 discharged and 48 persons in 15 cases remained pending at the close of the year.

17. *Arms Act.*—359 licenses were issued during the year under report as against 39 in the previous year.

There were 4 cases instituted under the Arms Act of which 3 ended in conviction and 1 in acquittal.

18. *Investigation of cases by the Police.*—The following statement will show the rank of officers who investigated the Police cases started by First Information Reports during the year :—

Rank.	YEARS.	
	1930-31.	1931-32.
Inspectors ...	...	1
Sub-Inspectors ...	633	529
Assistant Sub-Inspectors ...	23	39
Total ...	656	569

19. *Absconders.*—The following is a statement of absconders :—

	YEARS.	
	1930-31.	1931-32.
No. of absconded offenders at the beginning of the year.	33	30
No. entered during the year	9	3
No. who gave themselves up	...	1
No. arrested	3	6
No. struck off or died	9	10
No. remaining at large at the close of the year.	30	16

20. *Unnatural deaths.*—There were 150 cases of unnatural deaths during the year against 152 of the previous year of which the details are given below :—

Names of Police Stations.	Suicide.	Drown- ing.	Snake bite.	Fall from trees etc.	By wild animals.	Other causes.	Total.
Kotwali	5	14	6	1	1	.....	27
Tufangunj	4	6	3	.....	.....	4	17
Dinhata	3	21	8	.....	.....	3	35
Sitai	1	5	5	.....	.....	1	12
Mathabhanga	7	10	7	.....	.....	4(a)	28
Mekligunj	.....	5	5	.....	.....	2	12
Haldihari	5	5	1	.....	.....	...	11
Sitalkuchi	.....	5	2	1	.....	.....	8
Total	25	71	37	2	1	14	150

(a) 4 suspicious deaths turned into murder.

Periodical enquiries were made about the absconders by the local officers and simultaneous drives were occasionally arranged in co-operation with the Police of other stations where their relatives were traced.

21. *Judicial fines.*—The following table shows the details in connection with Judicial fines:—

	YEARS.					
	1930-31.			1931-32.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance at the beginning of the year.	4,806	13	6	5,863	0	0
Imposed during the year ...	5,562	12	6	5,188	0	0
Total amount for realisation ...	10,369	9	0	11,051	0	0
Remitted or written off ...	790	0	0	560	0	0
Realised during the year ...	3,716	5	6	3,501	0	0
Balance at the end of the year ...	5,863	4	3	6,990	0	0

22. *Rewards and Punishments.*—The following statement is of reward and punishments in the Force during the last 2 years :—

RANK.	REWARDS.				PUNISHMENTS.											
					Judicial.				Departmental.							
	1930-1931.		1931-1932.		1930-1931.		1931-1932.		1930-1931.		1931-1932.					
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Indian Penal Code.	Coach Behar Police Act.	Indian Penal Code.	Coach Behar Police Act.	Number.	Amount.	Dismissed or discharged.	Degraded.	Number.	Amount.	Dismissed or discharged.	Degraded.
Inspectors	...	Rs. ...	...	Rs. ...	...	...	...	...	...	Rs. ...	...	...	...	Rs. ...	...	...
Sub-Inspectors	...	9	240	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Assistant Sub-Inspectors	...	2	35	6	39	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Head-constables	1	...	...	...	...	...
Constables	...	2	35	6	39	1	12	1	...	...	12	...	...	...	5	6

23. *Conduct of the Police.*—There were 3 cases against the Police during the year under report against 10 in the previous year. With 4 cases pending from the previous year there were altogether 7 cases to be dealt with.

Of these 7 cases, three were at Dinahata one in Sudder, two in Mekligunj and one was in Mathabhanga.

There were 3 cases against Sub-Inspector of Police and 4 cases against constables.

Of the three cases against Sub-inspector of Police, one under section 384 was dismissed, one under same section ended in acquittal and the remaining one under section 330 was discharged.

Of the 4 cases against constables, one under section 354 ended in conviction and of the remaining 3 under section 323 I. P. C. 2 were dismissed and 1 ended in acquittal.

24. *Escort*.—Treasure amounting to Rs. 24,39,000 belonging to both the Government and the State was escorted by the State Police during the year as against Rs. 19,22,311-7-7 in the preceding year.

The number of prisoners escorted by the Police during the year was 1550 against 918 of the previous year.

25. *Drill and Target practice.*—The head quarters force were under regular drill and the thana constables and Town Police at Sudder joined once a week for Muster Parade as usual.

The Musketry course was extended during the year to the Mobilisation Staff at the thanas where by the available practice ammunition was exhausted. A fresh supply of ammunition has just been sanctioned for Target practice of the remainder of the Force.

26. *Casualty, Retirement and Resignation.*—Altogether 2 Assistant Sub-Inspectors and 12 Constables were discharged the Force, of which one of the former and 4 of the latter left on resignation. 1 constable died during the year

27. *Health of the Force.*—The health of the Force was normal.

57. *Good conduct allowance.*—At the close of the year under report 19 men were drawing the allowance at Re. 1 per month.

25. *Fire Brigade.*—2 constables were employed in this work during the year. There was a large outbreak of fire at Mathabhanga town and the Fire Brigade was sent as quickly as possible under the circumstances of the case. Much damage had already been done when it arrived and its working also suffered from a dearth of water but still it helped to arrest the progress of the fire.

29. *Town Police.*—The Cooch Behar Town Police consisted of 2 Jamadars and 30 Chowkidars whereas Dinhata, Haldibari and Mathabhanga had 6, 7, and 6 Chowkidars respectively.

The work of the Town Police was, on the whole, of a normal character.

30. *Rural Police.*—The following table shows the rewards paid to or fines realised from village Chowkidars during the year 1931-32 as compared with the year preceding:—

			1930-31.	1931-32.
A. CASE WORK	{	No. of Chowkidars ...	...	38
		Amount of Rewards ...	...	217
B. Amount of Gratuity ...		...	...	...
C. Total Amount of fines realised		...	1,374	972

The decrease under heading (c) is due to many Chowkidars being in arrears of pay on account of the economic condition of the year.

31. *Chowkidari Department.*—The following table shows the number of chowkidars, panchayets and their collecting members employed during the year under review together with the number of villages served by them:—

Names of Sub-divisions.	No. of Chowkidars.	No. of Panchayets.	No. of Collecting members.	No. of villages.
Sunder ...	322	548	127	263
Tufangunj ...	211	213	68	126
Dinhata ...	375	278	58	310
Mathabhanga ...	450	359	67	267
Mekligunj ...	226	245	58	243
Total ...	1,584	1,643	378	1,209

The total number of chowkidars was 1,584 and the total number of Panchayets 1,643 against the same number of chowkidars and 1,636 Panchayets in the previous year.

Owing to distress prevailing throughout the State the chowkidars did not receive their wages strictly in time. Although a larger number of Distress warrants were issued and stringent measures were taken for execution there were some arrears in the pay of the Chowkidars.

The maximum and minimum pay of the chowkidars was Rs. 6 and Rs. 4-8-6 respectively in the previous year.

The following statement shows the demand and realisation of the Chowkidari Fund for the year under report :—

TOTAL DEMAND—	Sudder. Rs.	Tufangunj. Rs.	Dinhata. Rs.	Mathabhanga. Rs.	Mekligunj. Rs.	Total. Rs.
1. Total amount of annual fund deduction.	1,251	448	1,401	1,750	963	6,213
2. Balance of the previous year.	476	456	832	826	474	3,114
3. Amount realized during the year.	1,727	1,304	2,982	2,576	1,437	9,327
4. Amount remained un-realized on the 31st March.	1,178	621	1,395	1,573	1,064	5,834
5. Amount of fine realized	549	690	886	1,003	873	3,493
6. Amount of penalties realized.	361	45	188	132	246	972
7. Miscellaneous receipts	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
8. Total of items 5, 7, 8 & 9	324	217	271	121	297	1,230
Interest of Government Promissory Notes.	1,864	386	1,854	1,826	1,607	8,937
Grand total	...	...	...	...	...	8,963

The details of expenditure from the Chowkidari Fund for the year under report are given below :—

	Sanctioned amount. Rs.	Actual Expenditure. Rs.
1. Contingencies	2,485	834
2. Rewards and gratuities &c.	800	271
3. Irrecoverable portions of pay of Chowkidars	50	25
4. Establishment charges for the five Sub-divisions	2,444	2,288
Total	5,779	3,418

The total receipts were Rs. 8,963 against Rs. 8,349 and the expenditure Rs. 3,418 against Rs. 4,498 in the previous year. The net profit of the fund for the year under report was Rs. 5,545 against Rs. 3,851 in the previous year thereby showing an increase of Rs. 1,694 only.

The opening balance of the Fund was Rs. 13,617 of which Rs. 11,521-11-1 was in the Treasury and the balance of Rs. 2,095-4-11 was in the Sub-Treasuries and in the several Chowkidari Offices. In the last year's report the closing balance of the Fund was shown as Rs. 12,038. This was an error the corrected amount being Rs. 13,617 distributed as described above.

The closing balance was Rs. 19,162 of which Rs. 17,747 was in the Treasury and Rs. 1,415 was in the Chowkidari Offices and Sub-Treasuries.

Loans paid out of the Fund to-date amounted to Rs. 86,500.

32. *Inspection.*—A statement of Inspection is given below :—

Names of Police Stations.	NUMBER OF TIMES VISITED.			
	By the Fouzdari Ahilkar.	By the Superintendent of Police.	By the Naib Ahilkar.	By the Inspector of Police.
Police Station Kotwali	...	1	...	...
Do. Tufangunj	1	2	...	2
Do. Dinhata	1	2	...	1
Do. Mathabhanga	1	3	1	1
Do. Mekligunj	1	1	...	1
Do. Haldibari	1	2	...	2
Out-Post Sitalkhuchi	1	2	1	2
Do. Sitai	1	2	1	1
Total	7	15	3	10

with the exception of Kotwali all Police Stations were visited by the Vice President during the year.

33. *Finger print*.—23 finger impressions of undertrial prisoners and suspects were taken and sent to the different bureaus and in 7 cases the identity of the accused persons was established by this measure. 82 finger print slips were sent to the Calcutta Bureau for permanent record.

34. *Miscellaneous Duties*.—The following table shows the number of orders the Police had to execute outside their duties connected with the prevention and detection of crime;—

					Number of orders.
Chowkidari work	...	...	...	...	353
Work in connection with Pound	...	...	...	...	121
Epidemic	...	...	...	...	11
Miscellaneous works	...	...	...	...	46
Miscellaneous orders of Naib Ahilkars other than case works	...	...	...	...	40

II.—JAIL AND LOCK-UP.

Charges.—The administrative charge of the Jail was held by Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B. L., Fouzdari Ahilkar, from the beginning of the year up to the end of December 1931 and by Srijut Umanath Dutt, B. L., Fouzdari Ahilkar for the remaining period of the year.

The Civil Surgeon held the Medical Charge of the Jail throughout the year.

2. *Jail buildings.*—The Jail buildings and staff quarters were repaired by the Public Works Department during the year as usual.

The existing solitary Cell, having been condemned by the Civil Surgeon as unfit for habitation, was rebuilt.

The recently constructed barrack has proved unsuitable for the climate of Cooch Behar leading to continued ill health among the prisoners during the rain and cold weather.

The adoption of the building to suit local condition is essential and is to be carried out during the ensuing year.

Owing to the abnormal increase in the Jail population which largely exceeded the normal capacity of the Jail a pucca godown of the Jail has been converted into a sleeping barrack for prisoners and it will be necessary to construct a temporary barrack in addition to accommodate the surplus prisoners.

3. *Jail population.*—The year opened with 191 prisoners of all classes, of whom 124 were convicts, 65 undertrial, and 2 civil prisoners. 709 prisoners of all classes were admitted and 652 discharged during the year leaving 248 prisoners in the Jail at the end of the year, of whom 157 were convicts, 88 undertrial and 3 civil prisoners. The daily average was 182·44 against 154·79 in the previous year. The increase in the Jail population was due to increase in crime owing to the general economic depression as well as to the closing of Sub-Jails at Mekligunj and Tufangunj.

4. *Convicts*—The year began with a population of 124 convicts in the Jail. 109 convicts were admitted from the local courts including 19 re-admissions, and 127 from the Sub-Jails of the State. The total admission was 236 and the total number of convicts to be dealt with was 360. There were 203 discharges as detailed below leaving 157 convicts in the Jail at the end of the year:—

Details of Discharges.

On expiry of sentence	...	...	...	...	118
Under Remission system	...	...	...	...	40
On bail and appeal	...	...	...	...	27
Transferred to Sub-Jails	...	...	...	...	4
Transferred to other jails	...	...	...	...	1
On payment of fine	...	...	...	...	8
On account of sickness	...	...	...	...	1
Died	...	...	...	...	3
Escaped	...	...	...	...	1
Total					203

The daily average of convicts was 134·62 against 115·26 in the previous year.

Excluding the 19 readmissions the total number of actual admissions was 217, of whom 200 were natives of the State and 17 outsiders, the percentage being 92·16 and 7·83 respectively.

There was one escape during the year which was effected from an extramural gang working at Nilkuthi. The prisoner has not as yet been rearrested.

5. *Reconvictions.*—No old offender was admitted during the year as compared with 4 in the previous year.

6. *Religion.*—The following statement shows the religion of convicts admitted from local Courts during the year and the percentages of the total admission as compared with the figures of the previous 2 years :—

Description.				Years.		
				1923-30.	1930-31.	1931-32.
ADMISSIONS.—	Hindus ...	...	...	43	43	36
	Mahomedans ...	...	...	25	37	54
	Other denominations ...	...	...	2	...	...
PERCENTAGES.—	Hindus ...	...	...	61.42	53.75	40.00
	Mahomedans ...	...	...	35.71	46.25	60.00
	Other denominations ...	...	...	2.85	...	...

7. *Length of sentence.*—The following table shows the length of sentences passed by the Sudder Courts on convicts admitted during the year as compared with the figures of the previous year :—

Description.				1930-31.		1931-32.	
				Admission.	Percentage.	Admission.	Percentage.
Not exceeding 1 month ...	...	...	20	25.00	27	30.00	
Above one month and not exceeding 3 months.	14	17.50	11	12.22			
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months	10	12.50	12	13.33			
Above 6 months and not exceeding 1 year	15	18.75	12	13.33			
Above one year and not exceeding 2 years	8	10.00	11	12.22			
Above 2 years and not exceeding 5 years	7	8.75	16	17.77			
Above 5 years and not exceeding 10 years	6	7.50	1	1.11			

8 *Female convicts.*—There was no female prisoner in the Jail at the beginning of the year. 6 were admitted, all of whom were released during the year.

The daily average was 0.56 against 1.15 in the previous year.

The female prisoners were as usual accommodated in the female ward, cooked food being supplied to them from the general kitchen.

9. *Juvenile offenders.*—Three juvenile offenders were admitted during the year against none in the previous year.

10. *Life convicts.*—There were 5 life convicts in the Jail at the beginning of the year. No life convict was admitted or released during the year.

11. *Remission system.*—39 convicts were released during the year under the remission system against 22 in the previous year. The maximum period of remission earned by a convict was 1 year 4 months and 22 days, remitted from a 7 years sentence.

12. *Offences and punishments.*—The following table shows the Jail offences committed by, and the punishments awarded to, convicts during the year as compared with those of the previous year.

OFFENCES.—

			1930-31.	1931-32.
Criminal offence ...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to work ...	...	...	7	11
" " to forbidden articles ...	...	...	7	10
" " to assault &c. ...	...	...	...	...
" " to breaches of Jail discipline ...	...	...	5	5
" " to escape ...	...	...	...	1
	Total	...	19	27

PUNISHMENTS.—

Corporal punishment ...	...	...	...	...
Forfeiture of remissions ...	...	...	2	7
Degradation from higher to lower grade ...	...	...	4	7
Hand-cuffing to staple ...	...	...	1	...
Night hand-cuffs ...	...	...	...	2
Cross bar fetters ...	...	...	...	...
Penal diet ...	...	...	...	...
Changes of labour ...	...	...	...	...
Gunny clothing ...	...	...	...	3
Solitary cell ...	...	...	1	...
Judicially punished ...	...	...	...	...
Heavy fetters ...	...	...	3	1
Warnings ...	...	...	8	6
	Total	...	19	26

The escaped prisoner has not yet been rearrested.

13. *Undertrial prisoners.*—There were 65 undertrial prisoners in the Jail at the beginning of the year. 211 were admitted from the local courts and 246 were sent from Sub-Jails including 122 readmissions. The total admission of undertrial prisoners was thus 457 and the total number to be dealt with was 522 including 65 of the previous year. The number disposed of was 434 of whom 70 were convicted, 173 transferred to Sub-Jails of the State, 6 transferred to British Jails under extradition warrants for trials, 52 released on bail, 61 acquitted and discharged, 1 released on P. R. bond, 69 released by order of courts and 2 died during the year. There were 88 undertrial prisoners at the close of the year.

The average period of detention of undertrial prisoners was 39·18 against 40·60 days in the previous year.

The maximum and minimum periods of detention in Sessions and Magistrates' cases are given below :—

Description.	1930-31.		1931-32.	
	Maximum days.	Minimum days.	Maximum days.	Minimum days.
Sessions cases ...	138	4	246	3
Magistrates' cases ...	215	2	235	1

The following table shows the average periods of detention of undertrial prisoners confined in the Sudder Jail and tried in different courts of the State:—

	Days.
1. Sessions Judge (Sj. S. N. Guha.) ...	117.75
2. Fouzdari Ahilkar (Sj. J. M. Sen Gupta.) ...	28.63
3. Fouzdari Ahilkar (Sj. U. M. Dutt.) ...	22.52
4. Sudder Sub-Divisional Officer (Sj. H. Biswas). ...	34.57
5. Debuttar Naib Ahilkar (Sj. L. M. Buxi.) ...	23.50
6. Malkachari Naib Ahilkar, (Sj. D. C. Sen.) ...	2.00
7. Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga (Sj. N. C. Mustafi.) ...	24.90
8. Add. N. A. Do. Moulvi A. H. Proddhan)	13.00
9. Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj (Sj. N. N. Roy.) ...	22.00
10. Do. (Sj. H. Biswas.) ...	6.00
11. Naib Ahilkar, Tufanganj (Sj. M. Bhattacharjee.) ...	44.80
12. Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata (Sj. S. C. Ghosal) ...	29.70

Excluding the 122 readmissions the total admission of undertrial prisoners was 835, of whom 298 were natives of the State, 152 being Hindus and 146 Mahomedans and 37 foreigners, 13 being Hindus and 24 Mahomedans.

The percentages of conviction and release of undertrial prisoners are given below as compared with the figures of the previous 2 years:—

Description.	YEARS.		
	1929-30.	1931-31.	1931-32.
Number of undertrial prisoners whose cases were tried and disposed of ...	122	143	132
Number of undertrial prisoners convicted ...	69	59	70
Number of undertrial prisoners acquitted & discharged ...	53	84	62
Percentage of conviction ...	56.55	41.25	53.03
Percentage of release ...	43.60	58.74	46.97

14. *Civil Prisoners.*—There were 2 civil prisoners in the Jail at the beginning of the year. 9 were admitted from the Sudder Courts and 7 from Sub-Jails making a total of 18, of whom 15 were released during the year leaving 3 at the close of the year. The daily average was 1.17 against 2.10 in the previous year.

15. *Lunatics.*—There was 1 non-criminal lunatic in the Jail at the beginning of the year. No lunatic was admitted or released during the year.

16. *Employment of Prisoners.*—The average number of convict officers employed during the year was 12.18 against 10.82 in the previous year. They were, as usual, employed in carrying stores to and from the Jail and as watchmen over ordinary prisoners. One convict officer was punished during the year against the same number in the previous year.

Convicts were employed on:—

- (1.) Oil pressing.
- (2.) Making Aerated water.
- (3.) Weaving Cloth and Durree, etc.
- (4.) Gardening.
- (5.) Wheat grinding
- (6.) Bamboo and cane work.
- (7.) Dal grinding.

They were also employed in ordinary Jail duties and in residential quarters.

The daily average number of convicts as stated in paragraph 5 was 134.62. Of these 8.38 were sick and under Medical observation, 2.45 were not employed for special reasons and 123.79 were employed on different works as shown in the following comparative table for 2 years :—

Description	YEAR	
	191-31.	1931-32.
1. Jail servants employed for Jail purposes ...	38.79	54.07
2. Convict Officers ...	10.82	12.18
3. Palace and its gardens ...	4.49	8.04
4. Working on hire ...	3.70	2.64
5. Jail garden ...	5.26	13.22
6. Jail manufactures ...	19.13	22.08
7. Working on Residential quarters ...	10.67	11.56
8. Working in State Rice-mills ...	11.03	.....
Total ...	103.89	123.79

The increase under "Jail servants employed for Jail purposes" is due to the abnormal increase in Jail population who could not be employed in any profitable work and thus were to be employed in making roads and flower garden inside the Jail.

17. *Manufactory result.*—The following table shows the result of the manufactory operation carried on during the year :—

DEBIT.—	Rs.	A.	P.
Cash in hand at the end of the previous year ...	.....	
Value of manufactured articles in hand at the end of the previous year ...	299	10	0
Value of raw materials in hand at the end of the previous year ...	1,217	11	9
Value of plants and machinery in hand at the end of the previous year ...	1,428	6	3
Amount of outstanding bills due by the Jail at the end of the year under report ...	312	1	3
Amount of outstanding bills due to the Jail at the end of the previous year ...	495	12	6
Amount drawn from Treasury ...	5,020	0	9
Total	8,773	10	6

CREDIT.—	Rs.	A.	P.
Cash in hand at the end of the year ...	.....	
Value of manufactured articles in hand at the end of the year ...	237	8	0
Value of raw materials in hand at the end of the year ...	408	13	9
Value of plants and machinery in hand at the end of the year ...	1,260	1	6
Amount of outstanding bills due by the Jail at the end of the previous year ...	637	5	6
Amount of outstanding bills due to the Jail at the end of year ...	597	10	6
Amount paid into the Treasury ...	8,928	13	0
Total	12,070	4	3
Difference or profit	3,296	9	9

Average earning per head of those sentenced to labour...	24	9	5
Do. Do. employed on manufacture including garden and hire of convicts	103	8	6

The profit of the year was Rs. 3,296-9-9 against Rs. 4,407-7-3 in the previous year, showing a decrease of Rs. 1,110-13-6.

The decrease in total profit was due to the decrease in profit under the following industries the cause of which is explained under each of the respective heads:—

			Rs.	A.	P.
1.	Oil pressing	...	397	1	0
2.	Hire of convicts	...	1,543	10	0
Total			1,940	11	0

18. *Jail Industries.*—The result of the principal industries carried on in the Jail during the year are shown below:—

Oil Pressing.—455 maunds 13½ seers of mustard seeds and 22 maunds 16½ seers of Til seeds were pressed in the Mills of the Jail during the year yielding 144 maunds 15 seers 9 chattaks of oil and 307 maunds 20 seers oil cake as compared with 392 maunds 21½ seers of mustard seeds, 14 maunds 5½ seers of Til seeds yielding an outturn of 123 maunds 26 seers of oil, 266 maunds 7½ seers of oil cake in the previous year. The profit from this industry was Rs. 562-15-0 against Rs. 960 in the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 397-1-0.

Taking into consideration the total weight of seeds pressed during the year and the outturn therefrom the profit should have been larger than that of the previous year. The price of oil, however, had to be reduced to meet outside competition, and thus the profit for the year was less than that of the previous year.

Aerated water—35757 bottles of Soda water and 61467 bottles of Lemonade were manufactured and sold during the year for Rs. 2,038-5-3 against 37652 bottles of Soda water and 56591 bottles of lemonade for Rs. 2157-14-6 in the previous year. The profit under this industry was Rs. 472-6-6 against Rs. 383-6 in the previous year.

Wheat grinding.—28 maunds 31 seers of wheat were ground during the year yielding an outturn of 22 maunds 6 seers 9 chatacks of *atta* and 6 maunds 33 seers 10 chattacks of bran which derived a profit of Rs. 89-10 against Rs. 90-2-3 in the previous year.

Weaving and Tailoring.—This industry was maintained for preparing Durrees, Ashons, Jharans, Bed-sheets etc. for sale and Doshuti cloth for making prisoners' clothing. The profit in this industry was Rs. 670 against Rs. 506-12 in the previous year, showing an increase of Rs. 163-4.

Jute work.—This industry was maintained for twisting jute string and weaving gunny cloth for sale. The profit derived from this industry was Rs. 169-1-3 against Rs. 212-1-9 in the previous year.

Gardening.—The profit under this head was Rs. 761-7-6 against Rs. 125-5-3 in the previous year showing an increase of Rs. 636-2-3.

Hire of convicts.—Rupees 301-8 was realised on account of hire of convicts against Rs. 1,845-2 in the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 1,543-10 which was due to the fact that no prisoner was engaged in the Rice Mill during the year and there was a very little demand for convict labour by the public.

Dal grinding.—This industry was introduced in the month of October last for preparing Dal for sale to the public and supply to the prisoners. 72 maunds 19½ seers of pulses were ground during the period of the year from October yielding an outturn of 50 maunds 24 seers of Dal and 20 maunds 15½ seers of Bhushi from which a profit of Rs. 45-15-9 was derived.

The following table shows the number of convicts employed in different industries as compared with those of the previous year :—

Industry.	YEARS.	
	1931-32.	1931-32.
Oil pressing	2483	2197
Crushed food	5	.....
Wheat grinding	329	240
Aerated water	592	671
Jute work	269	105
Gardening	1911	4085
Hire of convicts	1134	304
Weaving and tailoring	1976	2445
Miscellaneous manufacture (Bamboo work, smithy, carpentry, washing etc.)	252	933
Dal grinding ... ..	...	175
Total	8901	11655

19. *Earning.*—The gross estimated earnings of prisoners are given below calculated at the rate of 6 annas as wages of each prisoner per diem together with the figures of the previous year :—

Description.	YEARS.			
	1931-32.		1931-32.	
	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.
Jail servants including Convict Officers and those employed for preparing articles for Jail use ...	5,692	14 0	7,793	4 0
Prisoners employed on Jail repairs ... ..	.....		.....
Do. do. in the Palace and its garden	516	0 0	931	8 0
Do. hired out	425	4 0	301	8 0
Do. employed in Jail garden	718	10 0	1531	14 0
Do. do. in Jail manufacture	2,196	0 0	2,537	4 0
Do. do. in the State Rice Mill	1,266	6 0	.....
Do. do. on Sundays	154	2 0	.....
Prisoners employed in residential quarters	1,225	8 0	1,329	8 0
Total	12,192	12 0	14,434	14 0

20. *Cost.*—The following table shows the gross and net cost of the Jail and the average cost per prisoner for maintenance as compared with the figures of the previous year :—

Heads of charges.	YEARS.					
	1931-32.			1931-32.		
	Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P.
Establishment	7,017	0	4	7,330	0	3
Feeding charges	10,006	2	4	6,351	3	3
Contingencies including Hospital charges	3,127	6	6	3,685	8	0
Clothing and bedding	3,345	12	6	2,235	10	0
Building and repairs ... ..	.....			.....
Travelling allowance	24	10	0	5	8	0
Total	23,520	15	8	19,607	18	6
Deduct estimated earnings	12,192	12	0	14,434	14	0
Net cost	11,328	3	8	5,172	15	6
Average cost of each prisoner	151	15	4	107	7	6
Average net cost of each prisoner	73	2	11	28	5	8

The decrease in "feeding" charges was due to the cheaper rates of food staff as shown in the following comparative statements :—

21. *Price of food stuff.*—The average prices per maund paid for the principal articles of Jail diet as compared with those of the previous year are given below :—

Description.	Years.					
	1900-31.			1931-32.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Rice	4	5	2
Dāl	5	10	10
Attah	10	0	0
Mustard oil	26	15	3
Salt	2	9	11
Meat	25	3	6
Fish	12	7	9
Dahi	5	9	8

The average cost per prisoner incurred under the different heads of charges is shown below as compared with the figures of the previous year :—

Heads of charges.	Years.					
	1930-31.			1931-32.		
	Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P.
Establishment	45	5	3
Feeding charges	64	10	3
Contingencies including Hospital charges...	20	3	3	20	3	2
Clothing and bedding	21	9	10
Travelling allowance	0	2	6

22. *Hospital.*—One hundred and eight prisoners were treated as in-door and 725 as out-door patients against 30 and 703 respectively in the previous year. The daily average of sick prisoners was 2.29 against 1.33 in the previous year. The increase is due to the increased jail population. The principal diseases treated during the year were :—

Name of diseases.	In-door.	Out-door.
Malarial fever	48	202
Dysentery	26	115
Diarrhoea and Dyspepsia	8	81
Other diseases	26	327
Total	108	725

There were 5 deaths in the Jail Hospital during the year against 3 in the previous year. Two died of Dysentery, one of Tuberculous disease and two of other diseases of the respiratory system.

Drinking water for prisoner was supplied from the tap supply and the Jail well during the year.

23. *Inspection.*—The Vice-President, Regency Council inspected the Jail on several occasions and the Revenue Officer visited the same twice during the year.

24. *Religious instructions.*—The local Resident Minister of the Naba-Bidhan Brahma Samaj and a preacher of the Swedish Mission visited the Jail every Monday and imparted religious and moral instructions to all prisoners. Mahamedan Maulvies held religious service twice during the year, on the occasions of special Mahamedan festivals for the benefit of the Mahamedan prisoners. The Secretary of the local Swedish Mission visited the Jail several times during the year and imparted religious and moral instructions to all prisoners.

25. *Staff*.—Srijut Girish Chandra Lahiri, B.L., held the office of Jailor, throughout the year.

26. *Conduct of the Staff*.—The staff worked satisfactorily.

27. Statements C. D. E. F. G. H. and I. are annexed hereto.

28. *Sub-Jails*.—Thirty-two prisoners remained in the two Sub-Jails at the begining of the year, 568 were admitted and 552 discharged leaving 48 prisoners in the Sub-Jails at the close of the year.

The discharges consisted of 332 releases and 220 transfers. The daily average papulation of Dinhata Sub-Jail was 12·04 and of Mathabhanga Sub-Jail 20·20.

The following table shows the disposal of prisoners of the two Sub-Jails.

		Names of Sub-jails.			
		Dinhata.	Mathabhanga.	Tufangunj.	Mekligunj.
Released ...	{ 1930-31	222	157	...	...
	{ 1931-32	167	165	...	...
Transferred	{ 1930-31	137	143	...	...
	{ 1931-32	108	112	...	...
Escaped ...	{ 1930-31	...	...	...	...
	{ 1931-32	...	...	...	...
Died ...	{ 1930-31	...	...	...	...
	{ 1931-32	...	...	...	...

The following table shows the gross and the average cost as well as the gross earning in the Sub-Jails:—

		Names of Sub-jails.			
		Dinhata.	Mathabhanga.	Mekligunj.	Tufangunj.
Daily average No.	{ 1930-31 ...	16·08	28·12	.....	.....
	{ 1931-32 ...	12·04	20·20	.....	.....
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Gross earnings ...	{ 1930-31 ...	24 1 0	.....	.....	.....
	{ 1931-32 ...	39 6 0	.....	.....	.....
Gross cost ...	{ 1930-31 ...	2,308 7 5	3,064 12 11	.....	.....
	{ 1931-32 ...	1,814 14 10	2,193 1 7	.....	.....
Average cost ...	{ 1930-31 ...	144 13 2	109 6 7	.....	.....
	{ 1931-32 ...	150 10 7	1·8 15 0	.....	.....

Both the Sub-Jails were visited by the Vice-President, Regency Council the Revenue Officer, the Fouzdari Ahilkar and the Civil Surgeon during the year.

III.—PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Charge.—Srijut Jogendra Chandra Roy, B.Sc., (Cal. & Glas.) took over charge of the Department on the afternoon of the 15th April, 1931 from Srijut Nripendra Kanta Nag B. Sc. (Cal. & Edin.) and was in charge up to the end of the year.

The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 2,92,839 against Rs. 8,88,440 of the previous year under the following four sections:—

- I. Public Works Department including Communication and Palace works—Rs. 2,27,914 against Rs. 7,35,203.
- II. Contribution works Rs. 18,103 against Rs. 86,917.
- III. Establishment Rs. 41,165 against Rs. 56,547.
- IV. Chuklajut Public Works Department Rs. 5,657 against Rs. 9,773 of the previous year.

SECTION I.—PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The original grant of the year was Rs. 2,50,189 which was subsequently raised to Rs. 2,78,372 in the Revised Budget out of which Rs. 2,67,579 against Rs. 7,89,923 of the previous year was spent and the balance of Rs. 10,793 was returned as unexpended balance.

The total receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 9,252 against Rs. 10,058 of the previous year.

The expenditure under Section I has been divided into:—

- (1) Original Works.
- (2) Repair Works.
- (3) Tools and Plants.

2. (1) *Original works.*—The total expenditure under this head was Rs. 58,916 against Rs. 4,59,346 of the previous year under the following 3 sub-heads:—

(a) *Public Works Ordinary.*—The actual expenditure under this sub-head was Rs. 29,930 against Rs. 3,34,464 of the previous year, the following major original works being carried out at the costs given against each.

	Rs.
(i) Additions and Alterations to Mathabhanga Court Building ...	7,771
(ii) Remodelling Court House at Dinbata ... (completion of last year's work.)	2,541
Total cost Rs. 19,509	
(iii) Drainage Scheme (final adjustment) ...	5,786
Total expenditure of the Scheme Rs. 3,81,540	
(iv) Putting up Spurs in the Torsa river for the protection of Keshab Asram and adjacent places ...	9,476
Total cost Rs. 14,862	
(v) Renewing pucca drain in the town ... (work in progress,	2,908

(b) *Palace.*—The total expenditure under this sub-head was Rs. 9,679 against Rs. 50,433 of the previous year for the works given below:—

Cooch Behar Palace.—

(i) W. I. Railing dwarf wall along the east boundary. The southern portion of the east boundary of the Cooch Behar Palace from the main gateway has been provided with W. I. Railing over 2 ft. dwarf wall ...	Rs. 4,505
Total up-to-date expenditure for the work is Rs. 30,914.	

Palace—Woodlands.—

(ii) W. I. Railing with dwarf wall along the east and north boundaries. The east boundary has only been provided with the railing during the year ...	5,174
Total up-to-date expenditure for the work is Rs. 27,687.	

- (c) *Communication*.—The expenditure under this Sub-head was Rs. 9,307 against Rs. 74,449 of the previous year for the following major works:—

(i) Improvement of the Patlakhawa Road including Berm Road	Rs. 4,080
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(Total up-to-date expenditure is Rs. 52,378)

(ii) Reconstruction of bridges damaged by flood and other permanent arrangements Project II	9,311
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(Total up-to-date expenditure is Rs. 39,675).

(iii) Iron Bridge on the road from Banerwar to Sukhandighi via Pundibari 44' ft. Iron Bridge on the 5th miles	4,025
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(Total cost Rs. 6,332)

(iv) Changing trough plates of the 9th and 10th miles bridges in Mathabhanga Shitalkhuchi Road	Rs. 1,870
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3. (2) *Repair works*.—The total cost under this was Rs. 1,49,396 against Rs. 2,56,013 of the previous year as per Sub-heads given below:—

- (a) *Public Works*.—Rs. 22,568 against the budget provision of Rs. 24,197 and against Rs. 76,530 of the previous year. Necessary urgent repairs were carried out to all the buildings maintained by the Department.

- (b) *Palace*.—Total cost Rs. 90,668 against Rs. 1,25,389 of the previous year. Out of this a sum of Rs. 10,226 against the budget provision of Rs. 10,840 was for the Cooch Behar Palace with connected buildings including the cost of purchase of and repairs to furniture and Rs. 17,364 was for the Woodlands Palace where the out-houses had thorough repairs, against the budget grant of Rs. 15,715 and the balance of Rs. 63,078 was for the Colinton Palace at Darjeeling. From this sum Rs. 37,358 was for the purchase of furniture, Rs. 5,196 was for emergent repairs and Rs. 20,524 was for special repairs.

- (c) *Communication*.—The total expenditure under this was Rs. 36,160 against Rs. 54,094 of the previous year and important roads in the State had ordinary repairs as far as funds permitted. Some of the village paths could not, however, be repaired as funds were not available.

(A list of roads maintained by the Department is given in Statement J with the expenditure incurred on each, and a list of forests maintained in Statement K.)

4. (3) *Tools and Plants*.—Total cost Rs. 847. A sum of Rs. 376 was spent for the purchase of the following tools and plants against the budget provision of Rs. 500:—

(1) One ton Road Roller	...	1 No.
(2) Solo Spray	...	2 Nos.
(3) Measuring	...	5 Nos.

The cost for repairs to the existing Tools and Plants amounted to Rs. 471 against the budget provision of Rs. 800.

SECTION II.—CONTRIBUTION WORKS.

5. The actual expenditure under this section was Rs. 18,103 against Rs. 86,917 of the previous year for the works of which the following two are important:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
(i) Nripendra Narayan Memorial Hall at Mekliganj amount refunded	5,794	3	0
(ii) Construction of a Boarding House for the Sunity Academy	2,875	0	0
Total expenditure Rs. 27,216.			

SECTION III.—ESTABLISHMENT.

6. The total cost for the establishment maintained by the Department was Rs. 41,165, Rs. 39,665 being for Public Works Department including Palace and Rs. 1,500 for Chaklajat Public Works against the budget provision of Rs. 42,324. The staff of the Department was considerably reduced during the year. Two Engineers including the Resident Engineer, one Overseer and 4 Sub-Overseers including one temporary hand for the drainage works, were retrenched from the out-door and one Estimator, one Estimating Clerk and 2 temporary clerks were retired from the office establishment.

Works to the value of Rs. 2,91,339 carried out as per details given above and the percentage of expenditure on establishment to the total expenditure comes to 14.12.

SECTION IV.—CHAKLAJAT PUBLIC WORKS.

7. The original provision of the year under report was Rs. 7,920 which was reduced to Rs. 7,917 in the Revised Budget and the actual expenditure amounted to Rs. 7,157 of which Rs. 1,215 was for Original Works, Rs. 4,442 for ordinary repairs done to the several buildings and the balance of Rs. 1,500 was for establishment including travelling allowance of the officers and purchase of furniture worth Rs. 30 for the Patgram Staging Bungalow.

IV.—ARTISANS SCHOOLS.

Charge.—Sreejut Jogendra Chandra Roy, B. sc., (Cal. & Glas.) State Engineer took over charge of the Artisans School on the 15th April, 1931 from Sreejut Nripendra Kanta Nag, B. sc. Cal. & Edin) late State Engineer and was in charge up to the end of the year.

The original budget grant of the Artisans School for the year under report was Rs. 16,079 but the Revised Estimate was reduced to Rs. 10,015.

The total expenditure of the year under report amounted to Rs. 9,456-2 and the balance of Rs. 558-14 was remitted to the Treasury as unexpended balance.

The Statement of Expenditure is given below :—

I. Establishment.—			Rs.
1. Permanent Establishment	...	...	4,721
2. Travelling allowance	60
3. Contingency	487
Total			5,268

II. Tools and Plants.—

1. Repairing Tools	274
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III. *Purchase of Raw materials for manufacture.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 2,001 against the sanctioned revised grant of Rs. 1,700 showing an excess of Rs. 301.

IV. *Temporary Establishment and Tirca Labourers.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 2,263 against the budget grant of Rs. 2,300.

V. *Miscellaneous Public Improvement.*—Repairs to Anti-cholera Tube-Wells Rs. 43.

The estimated amount of receipts for the year was Rs. 5,783.

The actual amount of receipts of the year under report was Rs. 7,819 including realisation of the arrears of previous years' dues against Rs. 5,010 which was the actual value of works executed during the year. The net arrears of the year was Rs. 724, so that a sum of Rs. 3,533 was for the arrears of previous years.

This arrear of Rs. 724 was mainly due to non-expiry of 3 months after the submission of bills, as under the rules the bills are to be paid within 3 months and hence some of the State Officers and Officials did not make payment within the year under report.

V.—ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT.

Charge.—Srijut Nripendra Kumar Nag, B. sc., Ill. (U. S. A.) E. K. N., A. I. E. E., Electrical Engineer, was in charge of the Department throughout the year under report.

2. *Current supplied.*—Electrical energy during the year was supplied to the town including Nilkuti without any interruption.

Nine permanent connections were supplied for lights and fans against twenty-two in the previous year.

The decrease is partly due to economic crisis and partly due to approaching saturation year after year.

3. *Water-works.*—The water-works were in operation regularly throughout the year under report. The average daily consumption of water was about 83,000 gallons.

4. *Munufactory of Ice.*—Ice was supplied from the State Ice-Factory to the Agent regularly throughout the year. The receipts from the Agent for the sale of ice was Rs. 1,750 for the period the 1st of April, 1931 to 30th April 1932.

5. *Finance.*—The original budget grant for the year was Rs. 5,23,030 which was subsequently reduced to Rs. 49,747 in the Revised Budget.

The total receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 36,033, as detailed below :—

					Rs.	A.	P.
From State Offices and Institutions etc.	...				3,272	8	9
„ Thakurbari, Samadhi and Dharmasala	...				657	12	3
„ Palace	...	...	...	...	1,298	0	2
„ Jail	...	...	...	...	1,365	0	0
„ Sudder Hospital	...	...	...	...	555	0	0
Total	...				7,148	5	2
„ Town Committee	...	...	...	...	16,784	0	0
„ Private Customers	...	...	...	...	12,100	10	10
Grand Total	...				36,033	0	0

against Rs. 31,330 in the previous year.

The actual expenditure amounted to Rs. 44,908 against Rs. 58,146 in the previous year.

The following is the general abstract of annual expenditure for the year 1931-32 against that of 1930-31 :—

Item No.	Projects and works:		Expenditure for 1930-31.	Expenditure for 1931-32.
			Rs.	Rs.
1	Original Works	...	8,963	60
2	Repair Works	...	11,198	9,640
3	Fuel	...	8,954	8,989
4	Tools and Plant	...	2,318	908
5	Telephones & Telegraphs	...	4,960	4,490
6	Establishment	...	18,141	18,813
7	Travelling Allowance	...	722	248
8	Contingencies	...	2,690	2,060
	Total	...	58,146	44,908

1. ORIGINAL WORKS.

The total expenditure for the works (original) was Rs. 60 against the budget provision of Rs. 1,125 as the works were postponed under orders.

2. REPAIR WORKS.

The total expenditure of Rs. 9,640 was incurred against the provision of Rs. 12,750 of which a few items are briefly explained below:—

- (a) *Maintenance of Ice Plant.*—The sum of Rs. 336 was spent mainly to meet the cost of one pressure Gauge and one Ammonia Cylinder.
- (b) *Maintenance of electric energy in the Palace, Woodlands.*—The sum of Rs. 1,986 was spent mainly for re-wiring certain portion of main building, stable and kitchen and lacquering of the main building lighting fixtures.
- (c) *Maintenance of electric energy in the Palace, Cooch Behar.*—Out of the expenditure of Rs. 3,131 the sum of about Rs. 2,000 was spent to replace the Durbar Hall Chandelier parts broken by earthquake and the balance for usual maintenance.
- (d) *Repairs to Diesel Engine.*—The expenditure of Rs. 2,010 was incurred to replace parts.

3. FUEL.

The sum of Rs. 8,989 was spent against the budget grant of Rs. 9,000 to meet the cost of 63.91 ton crude oil, 312 gallons of Kerosene oil and 650 gallons of lubricating oil throughout the year.

4. TOOLS AND PLANT.

The expenditure of Rs. 908 was incurred against the budget grant of Rs. 1,100 of the sum of Rs. 444 to meet the cost of work-shop equipment purchased in the previous year. Rs. 252 for the purchase of House Service Meters and Rs. 47 for the purchase of ladder, dies and Rs. 164 on account of repairing tools, cycles, instruments etc.

5. TELEPHONES AND TELEGRAPHS.

The sum of Rs. 4,490 was spent against the budget grant of Rs. 4,808 to meet the cost of telephone rents and the maintenance of telegraph lines to and from Tufangunj.

6. ESTABLISHMENT & TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE.

The sum of Rs. 18,513 was spent for establishment charge against the budget grant of Rs. 18,514 and the sum of Rs. 248 on account of travelling allowances against the budget grant of Rs. 350.

7. CONTINGENCY.

The sum of Rs. 2,060 was spent against the budget grant of Rs. 2,100 of which the sum of Rs. 1,229 for the payment of ten contingent coolies, the sum of Rs. 342 for Municipal taxes and the balance of Rs. 498 on account of furniture, service stamps, sweeper's pay, stationeries, cotton waste, emery paper and book binding charge etc.

EDUCATION.

I.—VICTORIA COLLEGE.

Charge.—Srijut Manaratha Dhan Dey, M. A. Principal, held charge of the Victoria College as well as of the Jenkins School and the Boarding Institutions throughout the year under report.

2. *Number on the Rolls.*—The average monthly number on the roll was 274.5 against 282.16 in the preceding year showing a decrease of 7.66 due to the restrictions imposed upon all admissions in the College.

The number on the 31st March 1932 was 276 against 287 on the corresponding date of 1931 showing a decrease of 11 for reasons stated above.

The highest number of students on the rolls was reached in September, 1931 when the number on the rolls was 311 against 380 in August 1930 and was distributed as follows :—

1st year class	{ I. A. ... 52 }	113
	{ I. Sc. ... 61 }	
2nd " "	{ I. A. ... 36 }	105
	{ I. Sc. ... 69 }	
3rd " "	{ B. A. ... 30 }	39
	{ B. Sc. ... 9 }	
4th " "	{ B. A. ... 38 }	54
	{ B. Sc. ... 16 }	
Total ...		311

3. *Free Students.*—Of the students on the Rolls on the 31st March, 1932, 24 or 8.69 per cent were free students against 23 or 8.01 per cent in the preceding year.

The free students were classed as follows :—

Natives ...	14
Other Free-students (local or sons of State servants).	10
	24

These figures include the inmates of the Rajgun Boarding Institution and Recognised Rajguns who are, as a rule, entitled to free-studentships in the College.

4. *Average Daily Attendance.*—The average daily attendance was 262.30 in the year under report as against 266.06 in the previous year.

Percentage of attendance was 95.27 as against 94.32 in the preceding year.

5. *Admissions.*—206 students were admitted during the year under report against 222 and 186 in the two preceding years viz, 1930-31 and 1929-30.

6. *University Examinations.*—The following statement gives the number of students who have been sent up for the various University Examinations in the year 1932 with their reports :—

				Examinations.			
				I. A.	I. Sc.	B. A.	B. Sc.
Number sent up ...	..	...		31	61	34	15
Number passed ...	...	...		17	22	16(a)	12(b)
First Division ...	...	...		6	3		
Second " ...	...	...		9	15		
Third " ...	...	...		2	4		

(a.) One passed with 2nd class Honours in Philosophy and one with distinction. (b.) Seven of them passed with distinction.

7. *Residence of students.*—The following Hostels and unattached Messes were licensed by the University for the residence of the College students during the year under report :—

- (1) The College Hindu Hostel.
- (2) The Moslem Hostel.
- (3) The Santikutir Mess.

8. *Leave, Appointment etc.*—Srijut Upendra Nath Ray, M.A., Professor of History, was on privilege leave for 31 days with effect from the 7th September, 1931, and Srijut Ramesh Chandra Mitra, M.A., an outsider, was appointed temporarily to act for him.

It may be noted here that the Bursarship of the College was abolished with effect from the 1st September, 1931, *vide* Regency Council Office letter No. 1066, dated the 31st August, 1931.

9. *Physical Training.*—The College students played Foot-ball, Cricket, Hockey as in previous years. Sports were, as usual, organised and prizes awarded on the occasion of the Founder's Day celebration on the 6th March, 1932.

10. *Discipline.*—was on the whole satisfactory.

11. The following comparative statement shows the receipts and expenditure for the year 1931-32:—

			Rs.	A.	P.
1. Establishment	...	...	48,136	6	10
2. Contingencies	...	...	3,338	0	9
		Total	51,474	7	7
3. Receipts from fees etc.	..	..	18,085	5	0
4. State grant	...	...	33,389	2	7
5. Cost of educating each student	...	...	187	2	10
6. State share of the cost per capita	...	...	121	6	7

It will be seen from the above statement that the State share of the cost per head is Rs. 121-6-7 as against Rs. 115-14-4 of the preceding year, showing an increase of Rs. 5-8-3 per capita, which is mainly due to the decrease in the number of students on the rolls of the College during the year under review.

II.—JENKINS SCHOOL.

Charge.—Srijut Manindra Nath Ray, M.A., Head Master, held direct charge of the School throughout the year.

2. *Numerical strength.*—On the 31st March 1932, there were 573 pupils on the Rolls of the School against 561 of the previous year.

Of the total number 542 were Hindus and 31 Mahomedans against 531 and 30 of the previous year respectively.

The total number of local pupils was 532 against 550 of the year before. Of this total number 501 were Hindus and 30 Mahomedans. These numbers in previous year were 520 and 30 respectively.

The total number of foreigners was 42 against 11 of the previous year.

The total number of Cooch Behari pupils was 140 against 127 of the previous year. Of the total number, 112 were Hindus and 28 Mahomedans. These figures were 98 and 29 respectively in the year previous.

3. *Attendance.*—The average roll number was 539.83 average attendance 494.70 and the percentage of attendance 91.63. These figures were 536.89, 436.30 and 90.5 respectively in the previous year.

4. *Annual Examination.*—At the Annual Examination of 1931, 519 boys appeared, 329 passed in all subjects and 429 were promoted. The percentage of pass was 63.39 and that of promotion 82.65. These figures were 519, 362, 447, 69.7 and 86.1 respectively in the previous year.

5. *University Examination.*—In 1931, 27 boys, all Hindus, were sent up for the Matriculation Examination they all appeared and were successful. Of them 19 were placed in the 1st, 7 in the 2nd and 1 in the 3rd Division. The percentage of pass was cent per cent.

Of the Matriculation candidates 3 were Cooch Behari pupils. They all passed, two being placed in the 1st and one in the 3rd Division.

In 1932, thirty seven boys were sent up for the Matriculation Examination, but one was held back in consideration of age. Of the candidates sent up one was Mahomedan and the rest Hindus.

6. *Free Studentships.*—In the year under report, there were 51 free pupils of all descriptions against 49 of the previous year and they were classed as follows :—

Rajguns	...	...	...	...	5
Rajgon Boarders	...	...	...	...	12
Scholars	...	...	...	...	9
Ex-Scholars	...	...	...	...	2
Ordinary free	...	...	...	...	23
Special free	...	...	...	...	...

These figures were 4,9,9,2,24 and 1 respectively in the year previous.

7. *Finances.*—The income and expenditure of the year under report as contrasted with the previous year are given below :—

			1931-32.	1930-31.
			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Income	...	...	11,411 2 6	11,021 3 0
Expenditure	...	...	27,157 0 1	27,269 10 6
State share of the cost	...	...	15,745 13 7	16,348 7 6
Total cost per boy	...	...	50 4 10	50 12 8
State share of the total cost per boy	...	...	29 2 8	30 4 7

8 *Discipline*.—In the year under report, discipline among the boys was fully satisfactory and it was strictly maintained.

9. *Sports and Games*.—For financial reasons, the Interclass Tournaments in Hockey and Kapaty were not held during the year under report ; but the Interclass Foot-ball and Cricket Cup Tournaments were held as usual and the trophies were won by Class IX (Old 2nd class) and class X respectively. The School entered for the Gouripur Raj Foot-ball Shield Tournament but was defeated in the finals.

The Annual Sports were held as usual and the prize distribution took place on the 6th March, 1932.

The total expenditure under Sports and Games was Rs. 864-6 against Rs. 745-1-7 of the previous year.

10. *Staff*.—The changes in the teaching and ministerial staff during the year under report are given below :—

Sreejut Bimal Chandra Chakrabarty, M. A., the 14th Assistant teacher of the School, was seconded for duty under the Household Department with effect from the 15th April, 1931, and Sreejut Harish Chandra Mukherjee, an Honours Graduate in English, was appointed to officiate for him with effect from the 28th April, 1931.

III.—SUNITY ACADEMY.

Charge.—Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., the then Fouzdari Ahilkar, held the charge of the institution as Ex-officio Secretary up to the 31st of December 1931 when Srijut Umanath Dutt, B.L., his successor took over the charge and held it for the remaining period of the year. Srijukta Nikhilbala Sen Gupta, M.A., B.T., Head Mistress was in direct charge throughout the year under report.

2. *Recognition by the Calcutta University.*—The School has been provisionally recognised by the University of Calcutta up to the year 1932, with permission to present candidates for the Matriculation Examination to be held in 1933.

3. *Numerical strength.*—On 31st March, 1932, the School had on its rolls 282 pupils, as compared with 280 on the corresponding date of the year 1931. Of these 31 were natives of Cooch Behar. Of the total number of Cooch Behari pupils, 23 were Hindus and 6 Mahomedans and 2 Christians.

The following table shows the distribution of students on 31st March, 1932 according to different classes and religions :—

Class	X	...	Hindus.	Mohamedans.	Christians.	Total.
Do.	IX	...	4	.....	.....	4
Do.	VIII	...	8	.....	.....	8
Do.	VII	...	11	.....	.....	11
Do.	VI	...	19	.....	.....	19
Do.	V	...	9	1	.....	10
Do.	IV	...	25	.....	1	26
Do.	III	...	32	.....	2	34
Do.	II	...	40	.....	.....	40
Do.	I A	...	49	2	.....	51
Do.	I B	...	45	5	.....	50
Do.	I B	...	29	.....	.....	29
Total			271	8	3	282

4. *Attendance.*—The average monthly roll-number of pupils in the year under review was 259 against 255 in the previous year, whilst the average daily attendance of the students was 218 (or 85·8 per cent) as against 203 (or 80 per cent) in 1930-31.

5. *Free studentships.*—The subjoined statement shows the distribution of free-studentships in the years 1931 and 1932 :—

						On 31st March.	
						1931.	1932.
NUMBERS OF FREE PUPILS.—							
Scholars	...	...	...	...	...	3	2
Rajguns	...	...	...	...	...	7	7
Cooch Beharies other than scholars and Rajguns	...	...	...	...	...	3	4
Girls other than Cooch Behar	...	...	...	...	...	6	9
Total						19	22

6. *Matriculation Examination.*—There was only one student in the Matriculation class, who was sent up for the Matriculation Examination of 1932 and passed in the 1st Division.

7. *Annual Examination.*—Of the 240 girls who appeared in the Annual Examination of 1931, eighty-one passed in all subjects, and 188 were promoted. The percentage of passes was 33·75 and that of promotions 78·3.

8. *Special Subject taught.*—As in the previous year, apart from the ordinary Subjects, drill, drawing, Music, and needle-work were taught to most of the classes regularly.

9. *Discipline*.—There was no case of breach of the rules of discipline in the Academy during the year.

10. *Physical Exercise*.—The girls were encouraged, as usual, to take part, in playing Badminton and some in-door games and also sporting. Drill was taught to the girls by one of the mistresses.

11. *Conveyance arrangements*.—The Academy maintains a Motor bus for conveying the students to and from the Academy. Those who avail themselves of the bus have to pay a fee of rupee one each per month, over and above the tuition fee. The little girls who did not avail themselves the bus, were escorted by the maidservants attached to the Academy.

12. *Finance*.—A financial statement for the year 1931-32 is given in Appendix 2. A summary of the Income and Expenditure of the School for the year 1930-31 and 1931-32 is given below :—

				1931-32.	1930-31.
				Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Income ...	...	...	...	1,281 4 9	1,808 15 3
Expenditure ...	...	...	...	13,011 2 10	12,171 3 8
State share of the cost ...	...	...	...	11,729 14 1	10,367 4 5
Average annual cost per girl ...	...	...	...	51 0 4	46 15 10
State share of the average annual cost per girl...	...	...	...	45 15 11	40 0 5

13. *Inspection*.—Her Highness the Maharani Sunity Debee, C.I., visited the Academy on the 18th December 1931 and the Vice-President paid a visit on 21st December 1931, accompanied by his mother and his wife.

14. *Teaching Staff*.—During the year under report the School had 11 teachers in all, including one M. A. B. T., two B. As, four I. As and one Matriculate.

Sj. Jaladhar Mitra, Assistant Surgeon of the State, taught Hygiene to classes IX and X during the year.

The increase in the income of the year 1931-32 was due mainly to the doubling of the tuition and bus fee-rates of all the classes as shown in the statement below with effect from 1st August 1931. The decrease in the total expenditure of the year, is traceable partly to the temporary reduction in the salaries of the staff that had effect for the 4 months from December, 1931, to March 1932, and partly to the savings resulting from the non-appointment of any Mistress for over two months and a half in place of Miss Pushpalata Biswas, resigned.

For classes X to IV tuition fee fixed at Re. 1 p.m. in place of	0 8 0 per month.
„ „ III and II ...	0 8 0 „
„ „ IA and IB ...	0 4 0 „

IV.—PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION.

Charge.—For 11 (eleven) months of the year Sreejut Hem Chandra, Das Gupta, M.A., held charge of the appointment of Inspector of Schools and Sreejut Aswini Kumar Pal, B.Sc., Sub-Inspector of Schools, Mekligunj, held temporary charge of the Department from 11th August to 10th September, 1931, during the absence on privilege leave of the Inspector.

Particulars of the numerical strength, attendance and expenditure of the different classes of educational institutions are shown in the following Table :—

Class of Schools.	1930-1931			1931-1932			EXPENDITURE FOR 1930-1931			EXPENDITURE FOR 1931-1932		
	Nos. of Institutions.	Nos. of pupils on 31st March 1930.	Average daily attendance.	Nos. of Institutions.	Nos. of pupils on 31st March 1931.	Average daily attendance.	State grant.	Local sources.	Total.	State grant.	Local sources.	Total.
I.—State institutions—												
Middle English	1	120	93	1	134	101	Rs. 2,573	Rs. 1,033	3,596	Rs. 2,329	Rs. 1,389	Rs. 3,723
Middle Vernacular	12	578	379	12	544	346	5,992	1,005	6,997	6,270	808	7,168
TOTAL	13	678	472	13	678	447	8,565	2,038	10,593	8,609	2,287	10,896
II.—Grant-in-aid Schools—												
Higher English	4	978	744	4	945	755	14,702	17,197	31,900	12,527	27,568	33,985
Middle English	19	988	705	20	1,043	726	5,057	7,528	12,655	5,555	6,889	12,444
Ditto Vernacular	15	871	531	14	763	487	2,947	2,186	5,133	2,550	2,135	4,685
TOTAL	38	2,607	1,980	38	2,751	1,968	22,707	26,981	49,688	20,635	29,592	50,227
III.—Primary Schools—												
Upper Primary	50	1,558	1,133	42	1,605	1,184	3,631	2,167	5,798	3,724	2,231	5,958
Lower Primary	167	5,502	3,826	118	4,786	3,438	7,082	8,888	15,970	6,877	7,633	14,516
Night Schools	5	76	58	4	74	52	204	2	206	189	60	249
Girls Schools	4	52	30	4	57	39	132	60	192	155	.....	155
Muktabs	7	168	118	10	275	199	261	462	723	420	640	1,020
TOTAL	222	7,356	5,165	208	6,867	4,912	11,310	11,579	22,889	11,365	1,533	21,898
IV.—Private Institutions												
Higher English	1	200	167	1	227	162	.....	3,469	3,469	.....	4,168	4,168
Middle English	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	240	240	.....	120	120
Middle Vernacular	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Upper Primary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lower Primary	54	1,650	1,112	58	1,760	1,126	.....	3,689	3,689	.....	2,043	3,043
Night Schools	3	37	26	2	21	15	.....	48	48	.....	36	36
Girls Schools	3	45	28	2	41	16	.....	48	48	.....	60	60
Muktabs	7	267	183	4	110	77	.....	1,018	1,018	.....	264	264
TOTAL	69	2,202	1,512	68	2,159	1,416	.....	8,503	8,503	.....	7,691	7,691
GRAND TOTAL	342	12,933	9,129	327	12,445	8,766	42,572	49,101	91,673	40,599	50,103	90,702

During the year under report the number of schools fell from 342 of the previous year to 327, the number of pupils from 12,933 to 12,445 and the average daily attendance from 9,129 to 8,766. There was thus an actual decrease of 489 pupils with a fall of 363 in their attendance. This might be due to acute economic distress prevailing among the people who could not afford to pay for their children's education. The total expenditure on public instruction amounted, during the period under review, to Rs. 90,702 against Rs. 91,673 of the previous year, showing a decrease of Rs. 971. The State contributed Rs. 40,599, and the people Rs. 50,103.

2. *Results of Public Examinations.*—The following table shows the results of all the schools under the Department in the different Public Examinations :—

Class of Examinations.	1930-1931.						1931-1932.					
	Nos. of competing schools.	Nos. of candidates.	NUMBER PASSED.				Nos. of competing schools.	Nos. of candidates.	NUMBER PASSED.			
			1st Division.	2nd Division.	3rd Division.	Total.			1st Division.	2nd Division.	3rd Division.	Total.
Matriculation ...	4	45	21	13	3	37	4	54	11	14	9	34
Middle English ...	16	56	6	10	...	16	18	41	7	7	3	17
Ditto for Females ...	1	1	1	...	...	1	1	3	3	...	...	3
Middle Vernacular ...	30	62	8	15	3	26	17	36	6	7	6	19
Ditto for Females ...	2	4	2	2	...	4	1	4	2	2	...	4
Upper Primary ...	107	268	18	68	74	160	103	275	12	60	90	171
Ditto for Females ...	3	22	16	3	...	19	4	21	14	5	1	20
Lower Primary ...	280	785	423	210	...	633	262	744	470	136	...	606
Ditto for Females ...	6	53	35	8	...	43	10	53	40	9	...	49
Sanskrit Tole ...	2	2	2	...	...	2	3	3	3	...	...	3
Junior Madrasa ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	...	...	2

It will be seen from the foregoing table that 54 candidates appeared at the Matriculation Examination of 1932, from the Sub Divisional High English Schools during the year under report of whom 34 passed, 11 in 1st division, 14 in the 2nd and 9 in the 3rd division.

In the Middle and the Primary Scholarship Examinations 20 passed the Middle English, 23 the Middle Vernacular, 191 the Upper Primary and 655 the Lower Primary. The figures for the preceding year were, 17 Middle English, 30 Middle Vernacular, 179 Upper Primary and 676 Lower Primary respectively.

During the year under review 3 female candidates sat for the Middle English, 4 for the Middle Vernacular, 21 for the Upper Primary and 55 for the Lower Primary Examinations. Of these 83 candidates, 76 passed, 59 in the first division, 16 in the Second and 1 in the third.

Three candidates sat for the Sanskrit Tole Examination. All having come out successful, the first in order of merit was awarded the Temple Scholarship.

For the first time 2 Mahomedan pupils were sent up for the Junior Madrasa Examination held in Rungpur and both passed with credit.

3. *High English Schools.*—The number of High English Schools in the State continued to be 5 of which 4 were aided and 1 unaided as in the previous year.

The following table shows in an abstract form, the details of strength, attendance and expenditure of the High English Schools at the end of the year :—

Names of Institutions.	Number of pupils on 31st March 1932.	Average daily attendance.	No. of pupil studying.		EXPENDITURE.				
			English.	Vernacular	From the State.	From local sources.			
						School fees.	Other sources.	Total.	Grand Total.
1. Dinhata H. E.	282	217	231	51	Rs. 2,882	Rs. 4,163	Rs. 1,841	Rs. 5,944	Rs. 8,826
2. Tufangunj H. E.	168	128	157	81	3,662	2,584	1,060	3,644	7,506
3. Mathabhanga H. E.	280	240	230	60	2,888	3,969	2,023	5,992	8,880
4. Mekligunj H. E.	205	170	192	13	2,888	3,878	1,110	4,988	7,876
5. Swedish Mission H. E.	227	162	217	10	.....	2,829	1,339	4,168	4,168
Total	1,172	917	1,007	165	12,520	17,363	7,373	24,736	37,256

It will be seen from the foregoing table that these schools had, on the 31st March last, a strength of 1172 pupils against 1,108 on the corresponding date of the previous year showing a noticeable increase of 64 pupils inspite of the general economic distress throughout the country. The percentage of attendance of these schools was 87·1 against 82·2 showing a satisfactory improvement. The number of English-reading boys also increased from 977 to 1,007 during the year under report.

Of the total number of 1172 boys belonging to these 5 schools, 998 were Hindus, 149 Mahomedans, 11 Christians and 14 of other communities. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were 1108, 952, 140, 8 and 2 respectively. The number of Cooch Behari pupils was 420 against 351 of the year before showing an appreciable increase during the year.

The total expenditure on these 5 schools came up to Rs. 37,256 of which Rs. 12,520 was borne by the State, Rs. 17,363 derived from school fees and Rs. 7,373 from other local sources. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were Rs. 35,369, Rs. 14,703, Rs. 16,192 and Rs. 4,474 respectively. It will be seen that the total cost of these schools increased by Rs. 1,887 although the State paid Rs. 2,183 less during the year. A satisfactory increase of collection from school fees as well as from other local sources was noted.

In the Mathabhanga High English School additional Geography classes were opened at a cost of Rs. 209 during the year under report.

4. *Teaching Staff.*—There was no important change in the staff in any of the Sub-divisional High English Schools.

5. *Managing Committee.*—During the year under report there were altogether 20 sittings in the 4 aided schools comprising 5 of Mathabhanga, 4 of Mekligunj, 5 of Dinhata and 6 of Tufangunj.

6. *Examination Results.*—The following Table shows the results of the four Sub-divisional High English Schools in the different public examinations during the year under report :—

Names of schools.	MATRICULATION.				MIDDLE ENGLISH.				MIDDLE VERNACULAR.				UPPER PRIMARY.				LOWER PRIMARY.			
	Number passed.				Number passed.				Number passed.				Number passed.				Number passed.			
	Nos. of candidates.	1st division.	2nd division.	3rd division.	Total.	Nos. of candidates.	1st division.	2nd division.	3rd division.	Total.	Nos. of candidates.	1st division.	2nd division.	3rd division.	Total.	Nos. of candidates.	1st division.	2nd division.	3rd division.	Total.
Dinhata H. E. ...	14	3	6	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Corresponding figures for 1930-31.	18	7	5	1	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...
Mathabhang H. E. ...	14	3	2	3	8	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	1	...	12	7	5	12
Corresponding figures for 1930-31.	18	6	2	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	2	5	...	2	2	4
Mekligunj H. E. ...	17	3	4	5	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Corresponding figures for 1930-31.	8	6	2	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tufangunj H.E. ...	9	2	2	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Corresponding figures for 1930-31.	6	2	4	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

From the foregoing table it will appear that 54 candidates were sent up for the last Matriculation Examination of the Calcutta University. The Swedish Mission Institution has not yet received permission of the University to prepare candidates for the Matric Examination. During the preceding year 45 candidates were sent up for the said examination and of them 37 passed, 21 in the first division, 13 in the second and 3 in the third.

7. *Prizes.*—The grant of Rs. 333 for the distribution of prizes in the High English Schools, was discontinued during the year owing to financial difficulties.

8. *Discipline* —Discipline was quite satisfactory in all the 5 High English Schools during the year under report.

9. *Physical Exercise.*—As in the previous year proper facilities were provided for Drill as well as for English and Country games. Several inter class and inter school tournaments were held during the year under report.

10. *Boarding Institutions.*—The total number of inmates in the Boarding institutions attached to the 4 Sub-divisional High English Schools decreased at the end of the year to 88 of which 77 were Hindus and 11 Mahomedans. The corresponding figures for the previous year were 101, 84 and 17. The reason for this decrease is the general financial distress.

11. *Educational Conference.*—The annual Educational Conference of Head Masters of all High English Schools in the State was held on the 29th November, 1931, under the presidency of the Principal, Victoria College, Cooch Behar.

12. *Middle English Schools.*—The following comparative table shows the particulars of the Middle English Schools in the State as they existed on the 31st March, 1932.

	Names of Schools.	Nos. of Pupils		Pupils studying Language.		Expenditure.		
		On the 31st March.	Average daily attendance.	English.	Vernacular.	State grant.	Local sources.	Total.
1930-31.								
1	Sudder Model E. D. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Rs. 30	Rs.	Rs. 30
2	Kharkharia M. E.	59	41	35	52	336	247	583
3	Haldibari "	73	53	63	73	480	946	1,426
4	Sonlmari "	50	30	20	50	300	300	600
5	Maricha "	86	67	30	86	455	386	841
6	Khagrabari "	26	9	10	26	180	102	282
7	Upanchouki "	53	87	38	53	360	540	900
8	Bamanhat "	36	27	33	36	360	576	936
9	Gobrasarah "	54	42	38	54	350	1,012	1,362
10	Gitaldah Model E. D. ....	.....	.....	33	.....	120	120	240
11	Fulbari M. E.	68	43	20	68	180	500	680
12	Kotebhajani "	52	25	43	52	240	252	492
13	Alakjhari "	65	49	23	65	300	396	696
14	Per Mekligunj "	42	34	19	42	216	144	360
15	Balarampur Model E. D. ....	.....	.....	30	.....	120	165	285
16	Choupathi M. E.	75	54	35	75	300	146	446
17	Unishbisha "	65	58	41	65	216	516	732
18	Panigram "	65	44	9	65	166	372	538
19	Kamat Changrabandha "	71	51	37	71	177	566	743
20	Sahabgunj "	55	41	36	55	171	312	483
21	Changrabandha Model E. D. ....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	240	240
22	Dinhata Girls M. V. ....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....
23	Daribosh Junior Madrasa II ....	.....	.....	59	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...		988	705	634	988	5,057	7,838	12,895
1931-32.								
1	Dinhata Girls M. E.	60	42	21	60	552	74	626
2	Kharkharia "	52	41	35	52	336	224	560
3	Haldibari "	68	46	61	68	480	846	1,326
4	Sonlmari "	50	32	24	50	300	300	600
5	Maricha "	85	61	24	85	420	226	646
6	Khagrabari "	33	16	20	33	180	90	270
7	Upanchouki "	71	33	43	71	360	540	900
8	Bamanhat "	34	23	26	34	360	515	875
9	Gobrasarah M. E.	59	39	38	59	336	1,018	1,354
10	Gitaldah Model E. D. ....	.....	.....	42	.....	120	120	240
11	Fulbari M. E.	56	41	12	56	180	490	670
12	Kotebhajani "	48	34	34	48	240	609	849
13	Alakjhari "	64	49	32	64	300	396	696
14	Per Mekligunj "	52	45	26	52	216	85	301
15	Balarampur Model E. D. ....	.....	.....	26	.....	120	153	273
16	Choupathi M. E.	60	51	37	60	311	112	423
17	Unishbisha "	52	35	36	52	216	456	672
18	Panigram "	56	39	19	56	168	372	540
19	Kamat Changrabandha M. E.	85	64	39	85	180	136	316
20	Sahabgunj M. E.	58	35	40	58	180	127	307
21	Changrabandha Model E. D. ....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...		1,043	726	660	1,043	5,553	6,889	12,444

It will be seen from the foregoing table that the total number of Middle English Schools during the year under review was 21, of which 20 were aided and 1 unaided, against 19 aided and 1 unaided of the preceding year. The Dinhata Girls' Middle Vernacular School was raised to the Middle

English status and arrangements for teaching English were made in this school. This accounts for the increase of 1 in the number of aided institutions of this class, while the number of unaided ones remained the same.

On the 31st March last there were 1,043 pupils on the rolls, of these 20 Middle English Schools against 988 pupils from 19 schools of the previous year. The average daily attendance of pupils was 726 against 705 of the preceding year. The number of pupils increased by 55 and daily attendance by 21. The increase in the number of aided institutions by 1 brought about a corresponding increase in the number of pupils and in their daily attendance. The percentage of attendance was, therefore, 73·7.

Of the total number of boys attending these schools, 586 were Hindus and 457 Mahomedans against 718 Hindus and 453 Mahomedans of the previous year. The number of English-reading boys in these schools was 794 including the boys of the Sudder Middle English School against 694 of the previous year.

The expenditure on these schools amounted, during the year under report, to Rs. 12,444 of which Rs. 5,555 was paid by the State and Rs. 6,889 met from the local sources. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were Rs. 12,655, Rs. 5,057 and Rs. 7,598 showing an increase of Rs. 498 in the State's share and a fall of Rs. 709 in that of the people. The increase in the number of aided institutions brought about a corresponding increase in the State's share of the contribution by Rs. 498, while the economic distress prevailing in the country accounts for the fall of Rs. 709 in that of the people.

The following comparative table shows the results of the schools in the Middle and Primary Examinations during the last two years :—

Class of Examination.		1930-31.					1931-32.				
		No. of candidates sent up.	No. passed.				No. of candidates sent up.	No. passed.			
			I.	II.	III.	Total.		I.	II.	III.	Total.
Middle English	...	36	6	10	...	16	40	10	6	2	18
„ Vernacular	...	15	1	4	...	5	7	...	...	2	2
Upper Primary	...	60	5	22	16	43	63	6	19	16	41
Lower Primary	...	44	37	7	...	44	49	39	7	...	46
Total	...	155	49	43	16	108	159	55	32	20	107

From the foregoing table it will be seen that 159 candidates were sent up from these Middle English Schools to the several Scholarship Examinations, 40 to the Middle English, 7 to the Middle Vernacular, 63 to the Upper Primary and 49 to the Lower Primary Scholarship Examinations. Of these 146 actually sat for the Examinations and 107 came out successful, 55 being placed in the first division, 32 in the second and 20 in the third. The percentage of passes was 73·2 against 72·9 in the previous year.

13. *State Model Schools.*—The following Table gives the details of the 13 Model Schools in the State during the year 1931-32:—

Nos.	NAME OF SCHOOLS.	Nos. of pupils on the 31st March 1931	Average daily attend- ance.	Monthly average on the roll.	EXPENDITURE.		
					State.	School fees and fines.	Total.
1931-1932.					Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Sudder M. E. School ...	12	93	179	2,701	1,074	3,775
2	Balarampur M. V. School ...	45	3	52	527	88	617
3	Baneswar " ...	52	43	48	428	103	531
4	Natabari " ...	49	39	50	426	80	506
5	Chilakhana " ...	51	32	44	555	81	641
6	Dewanhat " ...	41	35	46	58	95	653
7	Gitaldoh " ...	64	43	64	517	126	653
8	Chaugrahabanda " ...	40	20	30	532	62	599
9	Pandibari " ...	33	25	30	424	70	494
10	Kheti " ...	45	27	40	511	50	564
11	Kesaribari " ...	38	14	31	519	50	564
12	Shitalkhuchi " ...	40	22	30	481	53	534
13	Dewanganj " ...	57	49	53	50	91	641
Tot 1 ...		678	472	637	8,784	2,138	10,772
1931-1932.							
1	Sudder M. E. School ...	134	101	123	2,389	1,389	3,728
2	Balarampur M. V. School ...	51	27	34	534	78	612
3	Baneswar " ...	58	45	12	415	94	599
4	Natabari " ...	49	31	44	520	73	593
5	Chilakhana " ...	53	31	40	560	12	632
6	Dewanhat " ...	34	28	36	571	71	618
7	Gitaldoh " ...	71	41	63	521	127	618
8	Chaugrahabanda " ...	44	30	40	529	73	602
9	Pandibari " ...	39	31	38	417	78	495
10	Kheti " ...	28	25	35	575	38	616
11	Kesaribari " ...	34	19	3	521	38	557
12	Shitalkhuchi " ...	41	16	39	464	60	528
13	Dewanganj " ...	45	41	48	553	18	636
Total ...		678	470	622	8,609	2,287	10,893

It will be seen from the foregoing table that the total number of Model Schools in the State stood at 13 as before, of which one namely the Sudder Middle English School is a pure Middle English School and the rest are Middle Vernacular institutions.

The number of pupils on the roll of these schools on the 31st March last was 678 as in the previous year. The average daily attendance also remained almost the same. The percentage of attendance was 75.5 against 74.1 in the preceding year.

Of the total number of pupils in these Model schools, 489 were Hindus, 183 Mahomedans and 6 of other communities against 490 Hindus and 198 Mahomedans of the previous year.

The total expenditure for the maintenance of these schools amounted, during the year under report to Rs. 10,895 towards which the State contributed Rs. 8,609 and Rs. 2,287 was met from school fees. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were Rs. 10,593, Rs. 8,555 and Rs. 2,038. Thus the total expenditure rose by Rs. 303 and the State's share by Rs. 54 only. The increase in school fees by Rs. 149 was brought about by the increase in the number of pupils in the Sudder Middle English School.

These Model Schools, excluding the Sudder Middle English School the results of which have been shown with those of the Middle English Schools, sent up 1 candidate to the Middle English, 13 to the Middle Vernacular, 47 to the Upper Primary and 24 to the Lower Primary Scholarship Examinations. Out of the total of 85 candidates 5 were absent and 67 passed, 29 in the first division, 23 in the second and 15 in the third division against 79 candidates and 64 passes of the year before. The percentage of passes, however, was 83.75.

14. *Middle Vernacular Schools*.—The number of Middle Vernacular Schools including 3 Special Schools was 14 against 15 in the previous year. As the Dinahata Girls' Middle Vernacular School was raised to the Middle English status there was a decrease of 1 in the number of institutions of this class.

These 14 Middle Vernacular Schools had on their rolls on the 31st March of the year under report 763 pupils and showed an average daily attendance of 497 against 801 and 531, respectively, in the previous year. With the decrease of 1 in the number of the institutions the roll strength and the attendance also decreased. The percentage of attendance was, therefore, 71·8.

Of the total number of pupils attending these schools 486 were Hindus, 275 Mahomedans and 2 Christians against 515 Hindus and 236 Mahomedans of the year preceding.

The total expenditure for the maintenance of these schools during the year under report amounted to Rs. 4,685, towards which the State contributed Rs. 2,550, and the people Rs. 2,135 as compared with Rs. 5,133, Rs. 2,947 and Rs. 2,186 in the previous year. The total expenditure thus decreased by Rs. 448 owing to the decrease in the number of the institutions of this class.

The Middle Vernacular schools sent up 73 candidates to the several public examinations, 8 to the Middle Vernacular, 37 to the Upper Primary and 28 to the Lower Primary Scholarship Examinations. Of these 61 passed, 30 in the first division, 17 in the second and 14 in the third. The percentage of passes was 87·1 against 77·1 in the previous year.

15 *Special Schools*.—The number of Special Schools in the State continued to be 3 as in the previous year. This comprised the Sudder Nagri School for education in Nagri, the Sudder Madrasa for education in Arabic and Persian and the Anjuman-i-Islamia School which is primarily intended for general education of the Mahomedan pupils.

The number of pupils on the roll of these Schools on the 31st March last was 119 against 133 in the year before. Of these, 35 were Hindus and 84 Mahomedans including 15 girls. The average daily attendance was 96 against 65 of the previous year. The percentage of attendance was 86·4 against 79·2 of the year before. The total expenditure for the upkeep of these schools during the year under report amounted to Rs. 679 of which the State paid Rs. 525 and Rs. 153 was met from local sources. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were Rs. 597, Rs. 465 and Rs. 132. The total expenditure thus increased by Rs. 82, local sources by Rs. 21 and the State contribution by Rs. 61 only.

16. *Mahomedan Education*.—The total number of institutions for the special education of Mahomedans including the Sudder Madrasa, the Anjuman-i-Islamia School and the Daribosh Junior Madrasa which have been returned with the Middle Vernacular Schools, was during the year under report, 17 against 16 of the previous year. Of these 13 were aided and 4 unaided against 9 aided and 7 unaided of the year preceding. The roll strength of these schools of the 31st March last was 576 with the average daily attendance of 416 against 536 and 352 respectively, of the preceding year. The expenditure on these schools amounted to Rs. 2,686, of which the State's share was Rs. 889 and that of the people Rs. 1,797. The corresponding figures for the previous year were Rs. 2,146, Rs. 582 and Rs. 1,564.

Over and above the Special schools for education of Mahomedans, all other institutions for general education in the State were largely attended by Mahomedan pupils. The total number of pupils returned from all educational institutions under the Department during the year under review, was 12,445 of which 4,331 were Mahomedans against 12,933 and 434, respectively, in the previous year.

17. *Primary Schools.*—The following Table gives the particulars of the Primary Schools in the State as they existed on the 31st March, 1932:—

Class of School.	STUDENTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	No. of Institution.	No of pupils on 31st March.	Average daily attendance.	State grant.	Local sources.	Total.
AIDED 1931-32.						
Upper Primary Schools ...	42	1,665	1,184	Rs. 3,724	Rs. 2,234	Rs. 5,958
Lower Primary Schools ...	148	4,786	3,478	6,877	7,639	14,516
Night Schools ...	4	74	52	189	60	249
Girls Schools ...	4	57	39	155	.....	155
Total ...	198	6,542	4,713	10,945	9,933	20,878
Corresponding figures for 1930-31.	215	7,188	5,047	11,43	11,117	22,166
UN-AIDED 1931-32.						
Upper Primary Schools ...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lower Primary Schools ...	58	1,760	1,126	.....	3,943	3,043
Night Schools ...	2	21	15	.....	36	36
Girls Schools ...	2	41	31	.....	60	60
Total ...	62	1,822	1,172	.....	3,189	3,139
Corresponding figures for 1930-31.	61	1,735	1,156	.....	3,776	3,776
Grand total ...	260	8,444	5,885	10,945	13,072	24,017
Corresponding figures for 1930-31.	275	8,923	6,203	11,049	14,593	25,942

18. *Upper Primary Schools.*—The number of Upper Primary Schools in the State on the 31st March 1932, was 42 against 39 on the same of the previous year. By redistribution of grants to schools 1 Upper Primary School was reduced to Lower Primary status and 4 Lower Primary Schools were raised to the Upper Primary standard for satisfactory work. The net result was, therefore, an increase of 3 in the number of institutions of this class. The strength of these schools on the 31st March 1932 stood at 1,665 against 1,558 in the previous year showing an increase of 107 pupils. With the increase of 3 in the number of the institutions the number of pupils increased by 107. The average daily attendance was 1,184 against 1,133 in the previous year. The average strength of each school remained almost the same as in the previous year. The percentage of attendance was, therefore, 74.3.

The expenditure for the maintenance of these schools in the year under report amounted to Rs. 5,958 of which the State paid Rs. 3,724 and the balance of Rs. 2,234 was met from local sources as compared with Rs. 5,798, Rs. 3,639 and Rs. 2,167 in the preceding year. The total expenditure increased by Rs. 160 owing to the increase of 3 in the number of institutions of this type.

The Upper Primary schools sent up during the year under review, 1 candidate to the Middle Vernacular, 91 Upper Primary and 121 to the Lower Primary Scholarship Examinations. Of the total number of 213 candidates 18 were absent and 149 passed, 80 being placed in the first division, 45 in the second and 24 in the third, giving the percentage of passes 76.4 against 77.9 in the previous year.

19. *Lower Primary Schools.*—The number of Lower Primary Schools in the State was, during the year under review, 206 of which 148 were aided and 58 unaided against 221, 167 and 54, respectively, in the previous year.

These Lower Primary schools had on their rolls on the 31st March last 6,546 pupils and showed an average daily attendance of 4,564. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were 7,152 and 4,928. With the decrease of 16 in the number of institutions the number of pupils decreased by 606 and the attendance by 364. The percentage of attendance was, therefore, 78.8 against 75.5 in the previous year. The total expenditure for the maintenance of these schools amounted to Rs. 17,559, of which the State paid

Rs. 6,877 and the people Rs. 10,682 against Rs. 19,650, Rs. 7,082 and Rs. 12,568, respectively, in the year before. The total expenditure, therefore, decreased by Rs. 2,091, owing to the decrease in the number of institutions of this class.

The following comparative table gives the result of the Lower Primary Scholarship Examination during the last two years:—

No.	Centre of Examination.	1930-1931.						1931-1932.					
		Nos. of schools.	Nos. of candidates.	No. passed.			Absentees.	Nos. of schools.	Nos. of candidates.	No. passed.			Absentees.
				1st division.	2nd division.	Total.				1st division.	2nd division.	Total.	
1	Sudder ...	67	148	95	35	130	15	68	219	113	33	146	11
2	Dinhata ...	75	196	110	46	156	8	64	180	109	38	147	10
3	Mathabhangra ...	67	200	121	58	169	29	65	186	136	37	173	6
4	Mekliguni ...	53	140	89	39	128	9	46	124	99	12	111	9
5	Tafangunj ...	27	125	43	63	103	6	20	90	53	25	78	4
	Total ...	286	838	458	218	676	65	272	799	510	145	655	40

The total number of candidates enrolled for the last Lower Primary Scholarship Examination from 272 schools of different classes was 799 against 838 candidates from 286 schools of the previous year. Of the total number 799 candidates, 40 were absent and 655 passed, 510 in the first division and 145 in the second. The percentage of passes was 86.2 against 87.4 in the preceding year.

A sum of Rs. 500 was distributed at different centres by the Superintendents of Examinations to the Gurus and their successful candidates on the result of the examination.

20. *Night Schools.*—The number of Night Schools on the 31st March, 1932 was 6, of which 4 were aided and 2 unaided, against 8, 5 and 3, respectively, of the previous year. These 6 Night Schools had a strength of 95 pupils, the daily attendance being 67. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were 113 and 84. There was thus a decrease of 18 in the number of pupils and of 7 in average daily attendance, mainly brought on by the loss of 2 in the number of the institutions.

The total expenditure for the upkeep of these schools amounted to Rs. 285 of which the State paid Rs. 189 and the people Rs. 96 as compared with Rs. 254, Rs. 201 and Rs. 50 respectively of the preceding year, showing an increase of Rs. 31 only. These Night schools sent up in the year under report 4 candidates to the Lower Primary Scholarship Examination. All of them passed in the first Division. In the previous year 16 candidates were sent up and 14 passed.

21. *Girls' Schools.*—The number of Girls' Schools in the State on the 31st March last was 6, situated at Khagrabari, Bimanhat, Goshanimari, Baladanga, Chilakhana and Golennhati of which 4 were aided and 2 unaided against 7, 4 and 3, respectively, in the year preceding. The total number of schools for the exclusive education of the girls including the Sub-Divisional Girls' Schools was 10. The total number of girls attending the several classes of institutions under the Department was 816 against 972 in the previous year. There was thus a decrease of 156 in the total number of girls in the different classes of institutions. The 6 Lower Primary Girls' Schools had 93 pupils on their rolls on the 31st March, 1932, the average daily attendance being 75. The corresponding figures in the preceding year were 100 and 68. The total expenditure for the maintenance of these girls schools during the year under report amounted to Rs. 215, of which Rs. 155 was contributed by the State and Rs. 60 met from local sources against Rs. 240, Rs. 182 and Rs. 108, respectively, in the preceding year.

The number of girls sent up to the various Scholarship Examinations was 83 against 80 in the previous year. Of these 3 appeared at the Middle English, 4 at the Middle Vernacular, 21 at the Upper Primary and 55 at the Lower Primary Scholarship Examinations. Of the total of 83 candidates 76 came out successful, 59 being placed in the first division, 16 in the second and 1 in the third. Of the year's scholarships, 2 Middle and 3 Upper Primary scholarships were secured by the girls in general competition with the boys, 8 Lower Primary Scholarships were awarded to the successful girl candidates. The first and 2nd places in the Middle Vernacular and Upper Primary Scholarship Examinations, respectively, were secured by the girls.

In the last Lower Primary Scholarship Examination 4 girls occupied the first four places in the list of successful candidates at Mekligunj and one occupied the first place at the Mathabhanga centre.

22. *Teachers' Provident Fund.*—On the 31st March, 1932, the number of teachers paying contribution to the fund continued to be 54 as in the year preceding, and the number of teachers completing 15 years' deposits was 18 against 17 of the previous year. The amount at the credit of the fund at the end of the year under review was Rs. 70,170-7-1 against Rs. 66,285-4-8 of the year preceding. Of this Rs. 40,000 was invested in Government Promissory Notes, Government Bonds, etc., Rs. 17,000 in Postal Cash Certificates, Rs. 10,088-9-5 in Postal Savings Bank, Rs. 91-10-3 in the Cooch Behar Bank Ltd. (State guaranteed), Rs. 1,156 in loans to subscribers and Rs. 1,834-3-5 was cash in hand. The State paid its annual contribution of Rs. 500 to the fund.

23. *Expenditure.*—Details of State expenditure under various heads, during the year under review, are given in the following table :—

Head of Expenditure.	Pay actually drawn.	Travelling allowance drawn.	Peon and contingency.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Inspector of Schools ...	2,905	484	.....	2,439
Deputy Inspector of Schools	612	91	21	724
Sub-Inspectors of Schools	2,427	665	456	3,548
Drill Inspector ...	357	212	....	569
Office Establishment ...	1,254	68	362	1,684
Total ...	6,655	1,470	839	8,964
Prizes and Rewards ...	...	...	...	500
Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	2,204
Scholarships ...	...	...	...	1,616
Charges incurred by the State for the maintenance of schools	...	...	...	40,599
		Grand Total	...	53,883
Repairs to Mofussil Model Schools ...	...	...	...	280
Purchase of Maps, books etc.	...	...	...	...
" of furniture ...	...	...	...	100
Contribution towards construction of Mofussil School houses	...	...	...	...
Purchase of Wool for Sub-Divisional Girls' Schools ...	...	...	...	20
Teachers' Provident Fund ...	...	...	...	500
Charges for conducting the Primary and Middle Scholarship Examinations.	...	...	...	1,204
		Total	...	2,204

The aggregate expenditure on Primary and Secondary Schools amounted to Rs. 90,702 towards which the State contributed Rs. 40,599, and the people Rs. 50,103. The corresponding figures for the previous year were Rs. 91,673, Rs. 42,572, and Rs. 49,101. There was thus a decrease of Rs. 971 in the total expenditure, the State's share having decreased by Rs. 1,973 and the people's share having increased by Rs. 1,002.

The disbursement under head Inspection and Control decreased from Rs. 9,854 to Rs. 8,964, that is by Rs. 890. This was due for the abolition of the post of Deputy Inspector of Schools to restricted travelling in view of the financial position of the State and also to absence on leave of several officers during the period under report.

Miscellaneous charges including Scholarships, prizes and rewards amounted to Rs. 4,320, as against Rs. 5,136 in the year preceding, showing thereby a decrease of Rs. 816. There was no budget provision for prizes.

The total expenditure incurred by the State for Primary and Secondary Schools, during the year under review, amounted to Rs. 53,893, against Rs. 57,562 of the previous year.

A sum of Rs. 2,287 was collected as fees from the State Middle English and Model Schools and remitted to the Treasury against Rs. 2,038 in the previous year.

The sanctioned Budget grant was Rs. 56,425 an additional sum of Rs. 100 was also sanctioned from the Reserved Fund of the Higher Education Budget for purchase of maps, books and furniture. So the sum placed at the disposal of the department amounted to Rs. 56,525.

24. *Inspection.*—During the year under report the Inspector of Schools paid 103 visits and travelled over 2,094 miles.

Moulvi Mahamad Akbar Ali, B.A., Deputy Inspector of Schools paid 39 visits and travelled over 428 miles. He retired from service on 4th May, 1931 when the post of Deputy Inspector was abolished.

Sreejut Aswini Kumar Pal, B. sc., Sub-Inspector of Schools, Mekligunj, and officiating Inspector of Schools (11th August to 10th September, 1931) paid 228 visits and travelled over 2,413 miles

Moulvi Sheik Dayal Mahamed, B.A., Sub-Inspector of Schools, Mathabhanga, paid 212 visits and travelled over 1,676 miles.

Sreejut Mukunda Nath Eshore, B.A., Sub-Inspector of Schools, Sudder, paid 154 visits and travelled over 1,460 miles. ✓

V.—BOARDING INSTITUTIONS.

A.—General.

Charge.—Srijut Phani Bhusan Chatterjee, M. A., Professor of Chemistry, held the direct charge of the College Hindu Hostel as well as of the Rajgun Boarding Institution, throughout the year under review.

2. *Staff.*—There was no permanent change in the personnel.

3. *Health and Sanitation.*—The health of the Boarders was on the whole satisfactory.

4. *Diet.*—The quality of diet was on the whole satisfactory.

5. *Attendance.*—Attendance of the boarders was regular.

6. *Physical Culture.*—Boarders were encouraged to take in-door and out-door exercises in the institutions. Many of them took active part in the College games and sports.

7. *Discipline.*—The discipline in all the three institutions was well maintained. The Institutions were visited by the University Inspectors in December, 1931.

B.—College Hindu Hostel.

8. (i) The Institution received a subsidy of Rs. 30 per month, and Municipal taxes amounting to Rs. 113 were defrayed by the State.

(ii) The monthly boarding fee was Rs. 11-8 per capita.

9. The average monthly number on the roll was 72.25 as against 73.6 of the previous year and 66.6 of the year before last.

10. *Result of the University Examination :—(1931)*

Examinations.	Number appeared.	Number passed.	REMARKS.
B. A.	8	3	
B. Sc.	3	...	
I. A.	14	7	1 in first division, 4 in second division and 2 in third division.
I. Sc.	18	8	1 in first division, 5 in second division and 2 in third division.

11. The total receipts including the cash balance of Rs. 6,926-2-8 of the previous year was Rs. 16,917-2-7 and the expenditure Rs. 9,794-3-11 showing a cash balance of Rs. 7,122-14-8.

C.—Rajgun Boarding Institution.

12. A monthly stipend of Rs. 14 was paid to each boarder.

13. The average monthly number on the roll was 16.75 as against 15.3 of the previous year and 17.9 of the year before last.

14. The number of new admission and re-admission was 7. There were 12 boys reading in the Jenkins School and 4 in the College in March, 1932.

15. Tuition classes were regularly held and attendance was satisfactory.

16. *Results of the University and Annual Examinations :—(1931)*

Examinations	Number appeared.	Number passed.	Remarks.
B. A.	1	1	
I. A.	1	1	2nd division.
Annual Examination	12	9	

17. The total receipt sanctioned in the Revised Budget Estimate for 1931-32 was Rs. 4,538. The total expenditure was Rs. 4,236-0-5 showing a balance credit of Rs. 301-15-7.

D.—Moslem Boarding Institution.

18. The number of students on the roll on the 31st March 1932 was 3 only in the College Section. There was no student in the School section of the Institution during the year under report. The average monthly number on the roll was 4.75.

19. The progress of the boarders of the institution in their studies is as follows:—

In 1931 three I. Sc. students appeared at the University Examination of whom only 1 passed, 2 appeared at the B. A. Examination but neither passed, and in 1932 two I. Sc., two B. A., and one B. Sc. students appeared at the University Examination

20. Up to the 31st March 1932 the State 'Subsidy amounting to Rs. 414-9 was drawn from the Treasury to meet the allowance of the Superintendent, the pay of the servants and the Municipal taxes.

21. The total receipts and expenditure during the year under review were Rs. 1,285-11 and Rs. 1,092-2, respectively, leaving a cash balance of Rs. 193-9 on the 31st March 1932. Of the total receipts of Rs. 1,285-11, Rs. 186-12-3 was the balance of the preceding year (1930-31), Rs. 414-9 was drawn from the Treasury as State subsidy and Rs. 684-5-9 was collected as fees from the boarders of the institution during the year under report.

VII.—STATE LIBRARY.

Charge.—Srijut Charu Chandra Datt, B. L., held the post of the Librarian throughout the year.

Statement "A" shows that during the year under report 16 English Books and 17 Bengali Books were purchased as against 30 and nil respectively of the previous year.

The following books were presented by the Vice-President, Regency Council:—

1. German Slav and Magyar—by, Watson R. W. Seton.
2. Social History of Kamrup—by, N. N. Vasu. 2 Vols.

Statement "B" shows the number of news-papers and magazines subscribed or received free for the State Library.

The number of reading public daily attending the Library has shown a marked increase.

Statement A.

No.	Languages.	No. of books on 31st March 1931.	No. of books purchased during the year 1931-32.	No. of Books presented during the year 1931-32.	Total on the 31st March 1932.
1.	English ...	9,167	16	2	9,185
2.	Bengali ...	1,697	17	...	1,714
3.	Sanskrit...	176	...	...	176
4.	Urdu and Persian	111	...	...	111
6.	Foreign Languages	123	...	...	135
5.	Manuscripts	118	...	...	118
7.	Picture Albums	51	...	...	51
Total ...		11,453	33	2	11,488

Statement B.

Names of News-papers and Magazines subscribed or received free :—

No.	Names.	No. of copies.		
1.	Statesman ...	...	1	Daily Subscribed.
2.	Amrita Bazar Patrika ...	...	1	" "
3.	Dainik Basumati (Bengali) ...	...	1	" "
4.	Illustrated Weekly of India (Bombay) ...	...	1	Weekly "
5.	Times Weekly Edition (London) ...	...	1	" "
6.	Illustrated London News (London) ...	...	1	" "
7.	The Sketch (London) ...	...	1	" "
8.	The Punch Do. ...	...	1	" "
9.	The Cooch Behar Gazette ...	...	1	Fortnightly Free.
10.	The Strand Magazine (London) ...	...	1	Monthly Subscribed.
11.	19th Century and After Do. ...	...	1	" "
12.	Review of Reviews Do. ...	...	1	" "
13.	National Review Do. ...	...	1	" "
14.	Blackwood Magazine Do. ...	...	1	" "
15.	Modern Review ...	...	1	" "
16.	Probasbi (Bengali) ...	...	1	" "
17.	Bharathbaraa (Bengali) ...	...	1	" "
18.	Maahik Basumati (Bengali) ...	...	1	" "
19.	Cooch Behar Administration Report ...	...	1	Annual Free.

VIII.—MEDICAL.

Charge.—Dr. Dineshananda Chakravarti L. M. S. was in charge of the Medical Department throughout the year under report.

Sreejut Tarani Mohan Ghosh, B.Sc., M.B., Sanitary Officer held the direct charge of the Public Health Department, up to 24th April, 1931, under the control of the Civil Surgeon. After that date the post of the Sanitary Officer was abolished and the charge was with the Civil Surgeon.

2. *General Health.*—The general health of the State during the year under report was on the whole good, though the number of Malarial cases was high in comparison with the last three years. This was due to the increasing popularity of the Hospitals and Dispensaries of the State and a consequently greater attendance than that of the previous years.

3. *Cholera.*—During the year under report some sporadic cases of Cholera occurred in several parts of the State. There were altogether 46 attacks with 22 deaths. The percentage of death from Cholera was 47·82 against 59·58 in the previous year. Prompt sanitary measures were taken to check the progress of the disease.

4. *Small-Pox.*—Small-pox occurred in sporadic form in the Sub-divisions of Dinhata, Mathabhanga, Mekligunj and Sudder. The total number of attacks was 283 with 54 deaths, the percentage of death was 19·08 against 19·83 in the previous year. Epidemic was prevented by thorough vaccination and re-vaccination.

5. *Public Health.*—The statement of epidemic diseases submitted by the Superintendent of Police is given below:—

Names of Police Stations.	Remaining from the previous year	Number attacked.	Number died.	Number cured.	Remaining at the end of the year
Cholera.					
Kotwali
Tufangunj
Dinhata	...	29	23	6	.....
Sitai
Mathabhanga	...	6	4	2	.....
Mekligunj
Haldibari	...	3	3	.....	.....
Shitalkhuchi
Total	...	38	30	8	.....
Small-pox.					
Kotwali	...	30	11	19	.....
Tufangunj	9	26	23	12	.....
Dinhata	...	3	.....	3	.....
Sitai	...	1	.....	1	.....
Mathabhanga	...	180	26	128	26
Mekligunj	...	1	.....	1	.....
Haldibari	...	20	.....	20	.....
Shitalkhuchi	9	81	16	74	.....
Total	18	342	76	258	26

6. *Vaccination.*—The annexed table "Q" shows the number of vaccinations carried out with results. The total number of persons vaccinated was 14,361 against 12,529 in the previous year. The percentage of successful cases was 79·95 against 79·92 in the last year.

7. *Malaria*.—The attendance of patients in the Hospitals and Dispensaries of the State shows that the number of malaria cases was greater than that of the previous years.

Five thousand Quinine Tabloids were distributed during the year under report against 4198 in the previous year, as a preventive measure against Malaria. Out of the stocks lying with him, the Naib Abilker Dinbata distributed 189 tabloids and only 73 tabloids were left with him.

The following Statement shows the number of cases of Cholera, Small-pox and Malarial Fever during the last three years :—

			1929-30.	1930-31.	1931-32
Cholera	...	...	529	196	46
Small-pox	...	...	289	247	283
Malarial fever	...	...	23,414	25,025	28,187

8. *Hospitals and Dispensaries*.—There was no change in the number of Hospitals and Dispensaries of the State during the year under report.

9. *Attendance of Patients*.—Table "L" shows the attendance of patients at each of the Hospitals and Dispensaries of the State during the year under report. The total number of out-patients treated was 84,675 against 58,515 in the previous year.

The Spleen Index Register kept in the Sudder Hospital showed that out of 1,879 children examined, 460 had enlarged spleen. The percentage of spleen cases was thus 24.48 against 28.26 in the previous year. The Spleen Index Register kept in other Hospitals and Dispensaries showed that out of 10,466 children examined 4,765 had enlarged spleen. The percentage of spleen cases was thus 45.61 against 38.79 in the previous year.

The total number of in-patients treated in the State Hospitals during the year under report was 1,316 against 1,527 in the previous year. The percentage of death of in-patients was 7.24 against 5.86 in the previous year.

The total number of patients treated in the Rajmata Cottage Wards of the Sudder Hospital was 20 against 18 in the previous year. A sum of Rs. 325 was realised as Cottage Hospital charges against Rs. 375-12-0 in the previous year.

10. *Surgical Operation*.—The total number of Surgical Operations, both major and minor, performed in the various Hospitals and Dispensaries of the State was 1,030 against 896 in the previous year. Out of the total number 45 were major of which 38 were performed in the Sudder Hospital and the remaining 7 in other hospitals of the State against 37 and 34 respectively in the previous year.

Table "M" shows the number of major operations performed in the Hospitals and Dispensaries of the State, during the year under report with the results.

11. *Prevalent Diseases*.—Table "N" gives a list of most prevalent diseases treated in the State Hospitals and the results obtained. Malaria heads the list followed by Skin diseases.

Mortality.—Table "O" shows the particulars of mortality of the in-patients treated in the various Hospitals of the State, during the year under report.

12. *Prescriptions*.—The total number of prescriptions served in the Sudder Hospital was 20,235 against 20,770 in the previous year. The total number of prescriptions served in the other Hospitals and Dispensaries of the State was 6,838 against 8,411 in the previous year.

13. *Jail Hospital*.—The general health of Sudder Jail was good. The administration of quinine and castor-oil as routine practice to all prisoners proved successful in checking malaria and bowel complaints. The practice

of compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination of prisoners at the time of admission was continued. The following table furnishes the health statistics of the Jail :—

		1930-31.	1931-32.
1. Daily average population	...	154.79	182.44
2. Total admission into the Hospital on account of sickness	...	30	108
3. Average sick	...	1.33	2.29
4. Deaths	...	3	5
5. Percentage of death...	...	10	4.62

No epidemic broke out during the year under report.

Twenty-six cases of Dysentery, 48 cases of Malaria, 3 cases of Debility and Anaemia, 2 cases of Rheumatic affection, 1 case of Tuberculous disease, 1 case of Eye disease, 2 cases of the diseases of Lungs, 5 cases of other diseases of the Respiratory System, 8 cases of Diarrhoea, 1 case of Liver, 1 case of the diseases of the Lymphatic System, 1 case of the diseases of the skin, 6 cases of all other general diseases and 3 cases of local injuries, occurred in the Jail during the year under report. Out of the above cases two cases from Dysentery, 1 case of Tuberculous disease and two cases from other diseases of the Respiratory System ended fatally.

14. *Post-Mortem Examinations.*—The total number of Post-Mortem Examination held during the year was 13 against 19 in the previous year, of which 6 against 13 of the previous year were held in the Sudder Morgue.

15. *Vital Statistics.*—The statement below shows the birth and death with their respective rates per thousand of population in the State during the last three years :—

Years	Births.	Birth rate.	Deaths.	Death rate.
1929-30	9,369	15.81	9,593	16.10
1930-31	7,840	13.28	6,849	11.62
1931-32	8,995	15.22	8,321	14.08

The statement below shows the birth and death rate per thousand of population in the town of Cooch Behar during the last three years :—

Years.	Birth rates.	Death rates.
1929-30	9.24	7.59
1930-31	10.30	6.16
1931-32	10.64	5.57

16. *Meteorological Observation.*—In June last one Barometer, one Anemometer and one Hygrometer (Dry and Wet Bulb) were purchased to raise the status of the Sudder Observatory to that of third class. The work of the observatory was commenced from 1st July, 1931. Fortnightly reports of the Observations were published in the *Cooch Behar Gazette* for general information. The highest temperature recorded was 96° on 12th, 13th 22nd and 23rd October, 1931, and the lowest was 51° on 15th January, 1932 and 7th February, 1932. The Degree of Humidity (Satn.=100) was also recorded. The lowest was 31° on 8th February, 1932 and the highest was 100° on 24th, 26th and 27th July, 1931, 4th August 1931 and 30th September, 1931.

The annexed table "R" shows the total rainfall of the year under report and that of the last nine years. It was 154.17 inches against 86.71 inches in the last year. The average rainfall of the last ten years was 131.99 inches. The Rain gauges were regularly inspected by the Civil Surgeon during the year under report.

17. *Maternity cases.*—The Midwife attached to the Sudder Hospital attended 84 cases. Of the children delivered 50 were males and 35 females. Out of the total number of deliveries one was still-born, one was twin and one was difficult labour necessitating the presence of a Surgeon.

From July last the *Maternity Ward* was opened in the Sudder Hospital. 19 cases were admitted of which 16 were normal and 3 were difficult labours necessitating the attendance of Surgeons. Of the total of deliveries 8 were male and 11 female of which one was still-born. The ward gained much popularity within this short period.

The Tufangunj and Mekligunj Sub-divisions were each provided with a Midwife. In the latter place the post remained vacant throughout the year for want of a suitable candidate. The total number of maternity cases attended by the Tufangunj Midwife was 20 against 21 in the previous year, of which 2 were difficult cases and had to be attended by Surgeons.

One Midwife was employed at Dinhata and one at Mathabhanga, the cost being borne by the Municipalities of those two places.

The post of the Lady Doctor at Sudder was abolished from the beginning of the year under report.

In the beginning of the year there was no female Nurse at Sudder as the pay of Rs. 35 each per month was too poor to attract candidates. On 7th July, 1931 one Nurse was however appointed who is still working, and the remaining two posts remained vacant during the year under report.

One Male Nurse was in service in Police Military Ward, Sudder Hospital, throughout the year under report.

A Female Dresser for the Sudder Hospital was appointed on 1st June, 1931.

18. *Miscellaneous.*—

- (a) The total number of patients from Government Districts treated in the various Hospitals and Dispensaries of the State was 3,156 against 554 in the previous year.
- (b) The total number of Railway patients treated in the State Hospitals and Dispensaries was 345 against 152 in the previous year.
- (c) The total number of patients sent for Anti-rabic treatment from the whole State during the year under report was 22 against 20 in the previous year.
- (d) *Public Health Department.*—From the beginning of the year under report the Public Health Department was abolished. The post of the Sanitary Officer was abolished from 25th April, 1931. The post of one Sanitary Inspector was abolished from 15th July, 1931 and the other one on 26th January, 1932, leaving one Sanitary Inspector for general duty. The total cost for maintaining the Department was Rs. 8,698.
- (e) *Leprosy.*—Arrangement to treat Leprosy cases both as in and out patient was made during the year under report. 52 Leprosy cases were treated both in the in-door and out-door. The daily average attendance was 18.

19. *Clinical Laboratory.*—The Clinical Laboratory at Sudder has been gradually gaining popularity amongst the public and every effort has been made to improve it under a specially trained Sub-Assistant Surgeon.

YEAR.	STATISTICS OF EXAMINATION OF SPECIMENS.—		
	Hospital cases.	Out-side cases.	Total cases.
1929-30	175	120	295
1930-31	205	195	400
1931-32	206	208	414

20. *Inspection.*—During the year under report the Vice-President, Regency Council, visited the Sudder, Dinhata and Mekligunj Hospitals twice each and the Mathabhanga, Tufangunj, Haldibari, Sitalkhushi and Bamanhat Dispensaries once each.

The Revenue Officer visited all the Mafussil Dispensaries and Hospitals except the Sudder Hospital.

The Hospitals and Dispensaries, Sudder Jail and Sub-Jails, Police Stations and Out-Posts were regularly inspected by the Civil Surgeon during the year under report. Several schools were also inspected by him.

The Civil Surgeon was away from head quarters on duty for 63 days against 77 days in the previous year.

21 *Receipts*.—The statement below shows the receipts under different heads of the Department during the last three years :—

Heads.	1929-30			1930-31.			1931-32.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Prescription fees...	1,418	4	0	1,533	8	0	1,438	0	0
Sale proceeds of medicines ...	1,112	0	3	897	13	0	596	4	3
Ditto bottles, &c. ...	90	8	0	91	6	0	43	10	0
House rent of the Rajmata	371	8	0	375	12	0	325	0	0
Cottage wards.									
Subscriptions for the aided	972	0	0	1,028	0	0	929	0	0
Dispensaries.									
Total	3,964	4	3	3,927	7	0	3,331	14	3

22. *Expenditure*.—Table "P" shows the total expenditure of the State Hospitals and Dispensaries during the year under report. It amounted to Rs. 29,774-3-1 against 35,310-4-2 in the previous year. The decrease was mainly due to the facts that :—

- (i) The post of the Assistant Surgeon of Mathabbanga was abolished.
- (ii) Two posts of Female Nurses at Sudder remained vacant during the year and the post of the 3rd Nurse and Female Dresser remained vacant for several months during the year.
- (iii) The Menial staff of the Police Military Ward of the Sudder Hospital was reduced from the 1st week of April 1931, and the post of the Chowkidar of Nishigunj Dispensary was also abolished.
- (iv) Sub-Assitant Surgeons Taraprasanna Chatterjee and Latugopal Mukherjee retired on pension and the posts were filled up at a lower scale of pay.
- (v) The pay of the staff was reduced for general reduction of pay from December, 1931.

The total expenditure for maintaining the whole Department (including the Public Health Department) was Rs. 62,085-12-11 against Rs. 87,539-9-10 in the previous year. The cause of the decrease has already been explained in the fore-going paragraphs and is also was due to the fact that in 1930-31 a sum of Rs 14,810-11-3 was spent for the equipment of the new Hospital building.

IX.—VETERINARY.

Charge.—Srijut Mohanta Kumar Sen Gupta, G. B. V. C., Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, was in charge of the Sudder Veterinary Hospital up to the 3rd February, 1932, when he reverted to the British Service leaving charge of the hospital with Srijut Abani Mohan Sanyal, G. B. V. C., 2nd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, who held the charge for the remaining period of the year under review.

Srijut Abani Mohan Sanyal, G. B. V. C., 2nd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon (touring Officer) was in charge of the three Sub-divisions Sudder, Dinbata and Tufangunj, with his head-quarters at Sudder and he also attended, in addition to his own duties, the out-break of the Sub-divisions of Mathabhanga and Mekligunj upto the 14th August, 1932, when Srijut Hem Chandra Das Gupta, G. B. V. C., 3rd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon (touring officer) rejoined his duties at Mathabhanga, after being acquitted of the charges brought against him in connection with a Criminal case.

Srijut Hem Chandra Das Gupta, 3rd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, after resuming on the 15th August, 1931, the charge of the Itinerant Veterinary work of the Sub-divisions of Mathabhanga and Mekligunj, with his head-quarters at Mathabhanga, worked up to 29th February, 1932, when he reverted to the British Service making over charges of his office to Srijut Nripendra Chandra Narayan Choudhuri, G. B. V. C.

The post of the 3rd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon with his Head quarters at Mathabhanga being abolished, Srijut Nripendra Chandra Narayan Choudhuri joined at Sudder to work as 2nd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon having his Head-quarters at Sudder and did the itinerant work for the remaining period of the year under report.

2. *Changes in numerical strength and arrangements.*—The posts of the Veterinary Assistant Surgeons were reduced from three to two with some changes in the distribution of duties. It was arranged that both the Veterinary Assistant Surgeons would be itinerant officers with their Head-quarters at Sudder and as a general rule one would remain in charge of the Hospital while the other was out on tour. One of them would remain in charge of the Sudder Hospital during the first 15 days and the other during the latter half of a month.

The Veterinary Inspector of the Jalpaiguri Circle would inspect the Veterinary work of the State twice yearly the cost whereof would be borne by the State.

It has also been arranged that the Propaganda Veterinary Inspector of the Bengal Veterinary Department, will visit the important fairs in the State occasionally.

3. *Attendance of patients.*—In the Sudder Hospital 1459 fresh cases were treated during the year under report. In-patients 14 equines, 41 bovines and 4 other animals; Out-patients 138 equines, 1032 bovines and 230 other animals, against 1558 fresh cases in the previous year; *viz.*, In-patients 6 equines, 41 bovines and 8 other animals; Out-patients 160 equines, 1167 bovines and 171 other animals. The decrease in the number of patients may be attributed to the healthy condition of animals during the year under report.

Three thousand nine hundred thirty-seven old cases were treated at the Hospital;—In-patients, 179 equines, 369 bovines and 31 other animals;—Out-patients;—544 equines, 2233 bovines and 581 other animals against 5602 old cases of the previous year. In-patients 606 equines, 285 bovines and 155 other animals, Out-patients;—669 equines, 3737 bovines and 696 other animals.

4. *Surgical operations.*—The number of surgical operations performed at the Hospital was 194 of which 7 were major and 187 minor against 219 in the previous year.

5. *Treatment of patients by touring Veterinary Assistant Surgeons.*—16 cases of Rinderpest and 358 cases of non-contagious diseases were treated by Sreejut Abani Mohan Sanyal, 2nd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, in the Sudder Circle, with necessary medicines, against 36 cases of Rinderpest and 343 cases of non-contagious diseases in the previous year.

One hundred fourty new cases and 281 old cases at Mathabhanga Dispensary and 197 new cases at Mofussil were treated against 775 new cases and 168 old cases at Mathabhanga Dispensary and 403 new cases in Mofussil of the previous year.

The decrease in numbers was due to the fact that Dispensary at Mathabhanga remained practically closed on account of suspension of the 3rd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon.

6. *Epidemic.*—During the year under report the 2nd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon received 7 out-break reports *viz.*, 4 Rinderpest, 2 Hemorrhagic Septicæmia and 1 other against 8 Rinderpest 3 Foot and mouth and 1 other of the previous year. All out-breaks were promptly attended to by him and 185 head of cattle were inoculated with Anti-Rinderpest Serum against 157 in the previous year.

7. The statement of epidemic diseases submitted by the Superintendent of Police is given below ;—

Cattle Diseases.

Names of Police Stations.	Remaining from the previous year.	Number attacked.	Number died.	Number cured.	Remaining at the end of the year.
Kotwali	...	20	17	3	.....
Tufangunj	...	17	17	.....	.....
Dinhata
Sitai
Mathabhanga	...	92	46	46	.....
Mekligunj	...	3	2	1	.....
Haldibari	...	7	4	3	.....
Shitalkhuchi	...	106	67	39	.....
Total	...	245	153	92	.....

8. *Cattle disease.*—245 cases of cattle disease were reported against 452 cases of the previous year of these 153 died and 92 recovered.

9. *Anti-rabic treatment*—22 presons were sent to the Pasteur Institute at Calcutta for treatment during the year. The treatment of all the cases was reported to be successful.

Twelve Epidemic reports of Rinderpest were received by the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon at Mathabhanga against 51 reports and 1126 head of cattle were inoculated with Anti-Rinderpest Serum against 1584. 70 cases of contagious disease were treated against 1051 cases in the previous year.

The decrease in number was due to less number of out-break during the year under report and prompt necessary measures taken to check the progress of the diseases. It shows that the rural population of the State is gradually appreciating the value of Veterinary treatment and in many cases they sent the report of out-break in time.

10. *Tour.*—The 2nd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon was on tour for 150 days and visited 123 villages against 167 days and 142 villages in the previous year.

The 3rd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon was out on tour for 123 days and visited 109 villages against 167 days and 141 villages as compared with the previous year. Decrease in number of tour days and villages visited were due to the fact that Sreejut Hem Chandra Sen Gupta, 3rd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon was off from duty up to 14th August 1931.

11. *Cattle Fair*.—Three Cattle fairs at Dinahata, Haldibari and Changarabandha were held in the State as in the previous years. A large number of cattle was brought for sale in these fairs from outside the State specially from Behar. There was no out-break of any contagious disease amongst the cattle.

The Propaganda Veterinary Inspector belonging to the Veterinary Department, Bengal, visited the Haldibari Cattle fair and delivered instructions to the cultivators by the help of magic lantern.

Propaganda work was well carried on by the Veterinary Assistant Surgeons during their tours.

12. *Stud Bulls*.—There were three Stud bulls under the Town Committee of Cooch Behar. 79 cases were served during the year against 149 in the previous year. The decrease may be attributed to the introduction of a fee of annas eight by the Town Committee, for each permit.

13. *Inspection*.—The Director, Civil Veterinary Department and Veterinary Adviser to Government of Bengal, visited the Hospital in November 1931 and the Assistant Director, Civil Veterinary Department, in September 1931 and discussed with the Vice-President, Regency Council about reduction of the Veterinary Staff and redistribution of work.

The Veterinary Inspector of Jalpaiguri Circle, inspected the Hospital and the office of the 2nd Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, Sudder, on the 2nd September 1931.

14. *Finance*.—The cost of the Department during the year under report was as follows:—

	Rs.
Establishment	4,758
Medicines	1,746
Contingencies including contingency menials	353
Total ...	<u>6,853</u>

against Rs. 6,077 in the previous year.

X.—STATE PRESS.

Charge.—Srijut Niranjan Sen Gupta M.A., B.L., was in-charge of the State Press throughout the year.

2. *Cooch Behar Gazette.*—The Gazette was as usual published regularly twice a month on each alternate Monday. The number of persons taking the Gazette during the year under report was 251 of whom 158 were paying subscribers and the remainder namely 93 received the Gazette free of cost. A sum of Rs. 528 was received on account of subscriptions against Rs. 430 in the preceding year.

3. *Printing of stamps.*—Different kinds of stamps to the value of Rs. 2,95,601 were printed as usual according to the requisition of the Treasury Officer, Cooch Behar.

	Pieces of Stamps.	Value			
		Rs.	A.	P.	
Judicial ...	2,13,801	2,09,057	10	0	} Number of days manufactured 36 days.
Documentary ...	30,569	30,365	0	0	
Court fee ...	1,11,525	67,223	4	0	
Copying fee ...	34,874	8,238	8	0	

4. *Printing of forms.*—Different kinds of forms numbering approximately 26 lakhs were printed at the State Press during the year under report. Besides, ordinary forms Annual Administration Report of the State, Council Proceedings, Gazette (fort-nightly), Budget Estimates, Council Decisions, Annual Reports of the Chaklajat Estates, 4 Town Committees, Jenkins School, Sunity Academy, Mutual Provident Fund, Anjumani Islamia Acts, and Bills &c., were printed as usual during the year under report.

Under the existing order of the Council the printing of Annual Reports and forms of the following private Institutions was executed free of cost as usual :—

1. Mutual Provident Fund.
2. Anjumani Islamia.
3. The Orphanage.
4. Sahitya Sabha.
5. Sub-divisional High English Schools.

5. *Finance.*—During the year under report the total receipt derived from subscriptions to the *Cooch Behar Gazette* and miscellaneous earnings were Rs. 619 against Rs. 600 and the total expenditure was Rs. 19,008 against Rs. 21,029 of the previous year.

CHAPTER VIII.

TOWN COMMITTEES.

COOCH BEHAR.

Charge.—The office of the Chairman was held by Lt.-Colonel K. A. G. Evans-Gordon, I.A., Vice-President, Regency Council and that of the Vice-Chairman by Srijut Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., from the 1st April to 31st December, 1931 and by Srijut Umanath Dutta, B.L., from the 1st January to 31st March, 1932.

The total receipts of the Town Committee for the year under report amounted to Rs. 66,089-11-3 against Rs. 66,889-3-4 of the previous year and the expenditure of the year was Rs. 63,528-13-6 against Rs. 80,935-0-8 of the previous year.

The receipts for the year with its opening cash balance amounted to Rs. 90,479-14. Deducting therefrom the expenditure of Rs. 63,528-13-6, the closing balance for the year stood at Rs. 26,951-0-6. Of this sum Rs. 14,217-15-9 was in the State Treasury, Rs. 12,452-10-3 in Bank and Rs. 280-6-6 in hand.

The decrease of Rs. 800 in receipts was mainly due to short collections of Rs. 1,017 and of Rs. 2,777-12-1 under Cart Registration and Miscellaneous, respectively, which were partly made up by increased receipts under Chowkidari, Latrine, Conservancy, Lighting and Water taxes.

The Town Committee held 8 meetings during the year under report against 5 of the previous year and the percentage of attendance was 72.5 against 86.0 of the previous year.

There was no out-break of epidemic disease and the health of the Town was good. The vaccinator employed by the Town Committee carried out 265 vaccinations and 131 re-vaccinations against 257 and 67, respectively, of the previous year under the supervision of the honorary health Officer.

The Regency Council approve the Town Committee's action in taking steps to build a slaughter house to the east of the Veterinary Hospital to regulate the slaughter of animals which are at present slaughtered without any restrictions being imposed on the butchers.

Two Melas were, as usual, held during the year, namely the Debibari and the Rash Melas. For the Rash Mela temporary latrines for males and females were erected, 6 tube wells were sunk for water supply and a sufficient number of electric lights were provided. The conservancy and other sanitary arrangements were properly looked after. There was consequently no out-break of any infectious disease.

There were 136 births and 66 deaths against 122 and 73, respectively, in the previous year.

MATHABHANGA.

Charge of Office.—The Office of the Chairman was held by Srijut Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B.L., and that of the Vice-Chairman by Maulavi Ahmed Hossein Prodhan, B.L., throughout the year. Besides the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman the following Members formed the Board:—

Sreejut Manahari Pramanik, Jotedar.

„ Debi Prosad Das, Pleader.

„ Gourhari Dalal, B. L., Pleader.

„ Bhutosh Ganguli, M. A., Head Master.

Munshi Mobarak Uddin Ahmed, Sub-Assistant Surgeon.

Sreejut Manmatha Nath Guha, Sub-Assistant Surgeon.

The total receipts of the Town Committee for the year under report amounted to Rs. 8,992-7-0 and the expenditure for the year was Rs. 7,592-14-9 against Rs. 10,129-5-6 and Rs. 8,042-6-6 respectively, of the previous year and the closing balance of the Town Committee at the end of the year was Rs. 8,979-11-0.

The decrease under receipts was mainly due to the fall in tax on Jute and tobacco carts, Cart Registration fees and Miscellaneous receipts.

The Town Committee held 4 meetings against the same number of the previous year and the percentage of attendance was 96.43 against 65.62 of the preceding year.

Forty births and twenty deaths were registered during the year against forty and thirty-one, respectively, of the year previous. The health of the town was on the whole good, there being only one case of small-pox which was cured and the spread of the disease was prevented by precautionary measures taken by the Town Committee. The Town Committee are satisfied with the useful work done by the midwife employed by the Town Committee.

A big fire broke out in March 1932 in the Mathabhanga town burning down a portion of the Bundar with the houses of the *Manajans* and other adjoining quarters. The loss caused amounted to about 2 lakhs of rupees. The fire might have spread to other quarters and caused further damage, were it not for the timely measures taken by the Revenue Officer from the Sudder and the Naib Ahikar at Mathabhanga.

DINHATA.

Charge of the Office.—The charges of the office of the Chairman was held by Srijut Sarat Chandra Ghosal, M. A., B. L., from the beginning of the official year up to 28th December 1931 and Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B. L., held it from the 29th December to the end of the year. The charge of the office of the Vice-Chairman remained with Srijut Siddheswar Banerji, M. A., B. L., throughout the year.

Four meetings of the Town Committee were held during the year under report against the same number of the preceding year and the percentage of attendance was 96.4 against 82.1 of the previous year.

The total receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 8,071-2-6 against Rs. 8,523-7-4 of the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 452-4-10 due to the decrease in the income of the Chowkidari Tax, cart registration fees and Latrine tax.

The Total expenditure during the year came to Rs. 8,055-7-6 against Rs. 8,493-10-6 of the preceding year showing a decrease of Rs. 438-3.

The general health of the town was good throughout the year and there was no outbreak of any epidemic in the town.

Twenty-eight births and ten deaths were registered during the year under review against thirty births and nineteen deaths of the previous year.

HALDIBARI.

Charges of the Office.—The office of the Chairman was held by Srijut Nagendra Nath Roy, B. L., from the beginning of the year to the 28th December 1931 except for the period from the 5th November 1931 to the 18th November 1931, when Srijut Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B. L., held the charge. The charge for the remaining period of the year was held by Srijut Himadri-haliav Biswas, M. A., B. L., The office of the Vice-Chairman was held by Srijut Taraprasanna Chatterjee from the beginning of the year to the 10th June 1931. The charge for remaining period of the year was held by Srijut Tarini Mohon Ghosh. Besides the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman the board consisted of the following Members;—

1. T. McMurphy Esqr.
2. Srijut Sukhendra Lal Sarker.
3. „ Phanibhusan Ghosh.
4. „ Hazarimall Bagri.
5. Maulavi Dhajaruddin Prodhan.

The total receipts of the Town Committee for the year under report were Rs. 7,940-13-0 and the total expenditure was Rs. 8,284-11-9 against Rs. 8,703-0-1 and Rs. 9,375-2-0 respectively of the pervious year. There was thus a falling off of Rs. 762-3-0 in receipts due to decreased collection under every head of reccipts, owing principally to the prevailing bad economic condition. It appears that the excess of expenditure hover the receipts was met, as in the previous year, by drawing upon the cash balance of the Town Committee which is thus being depleted from year to year.

Five meetings were held during the year under report against six of the previous year.

The health of the town was on the whole good. 12 births and 13 deaths were registered in the year under report against 11 and 9 of the previous year.

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APPENDIX I

I.—Statement shewing the comparative Revenue and Expenditure of the Cooch Behar State for the years 1930-31 and 1931-32.

REVENUE.	Actuals 1930-31.	Actuals 1931-32.	Difference.		EXPENDITURE.	Actuals 1930-31.	Actuals 1931-32.	Difference.	
			Increase.	Decrease.				Increase.	Decrease.
I.—General Revenue.—									
(a.) Land Revenue	12,55,045	11,29,800	Rs.	Rs.	I.—Civil List	...	...	Rs.	Rs.
(b.) Stamp	3,53,762	3,11,536	42,226	1,25,245	...	...	...	...	13,813
(c.) Excise	2,36,334	1,55,232	81,102	42,226	II.—Administration—	...	...	...	...
(d.) Interest on Loans and Investments	563	30,731	29,468	...	(1.) Control	...	...	...	3,480
(e.) Sundries	5,685	11,367	5,682	...	(2.) General	62,231	58,751	...	5,65,939
Total	18,51,389	16,37,966	2,13,423	...	(3.) Revenue	14,62,618	8,96,679	...	40,740
II.—Law and Justice.—					(4.) Law and Justice	2,40,973	2,00,233	...	5,936
(a.) Civil and Sessions Court	1,021	789	232	...	Total Administration	88,079	77,144	...	...
(b.) Registration	17,594	13,815	3,779	...	III.—State Ceremonial Department	...	...	...	6,16,104
Total	18,615	14,604	4,011	...	IV.—Debuter	...	73,909	...	14,270
III.—Miscellaneous.—					V.—Miscellaneous	...	66,372	...	10,049
(a.) Criminal Justice	4,968	4,925	43	...	VI.—Cooch Behar Railway	...	4,25,065	...	...
(b.) Jail including Rice Mill	60,241	15,893	44,348	...	VII.—His Highness the Maharaja's Estates.—	...	1,43,471	...	30,939
(c.) Education, Science and Arts	35,019	34,731	288	...	(a.) Darjeeling Estate	...	63,160	...	...
(d.) Public Works	61,862	53,104	8,758	...	(b.) Chakrajat Estates	...	3,43,384	...	5,898
(e.) Sundries	30,918	21,270	9,648	...	Total	...	4,02,301	...	4,243
Total	1,93,008	1,29,923	63,085	...	VIII.—Reserve Fund ...	...	...	...	...
IV.—Debuter	...	...	...	...	Total Expenditure	...	27,51,011	...	6,76,498
V.—Cooch Behar State Railway	1,10,837	91,812	19,025	...	Railway Capital works	...	964	...	964
VI.—His Highness the Maharaja's Estates.—	3,76,828	3,08,075	68,753	...	Total	...	94,27,403	...	6,76,392
(a.) Darjeeling Estate	68,394	66,137	2,257	...	Surplus	...	...	...	...
(b.) Chakrajat Estates	3,12,692	3,62,791	50,099	...	Grand total of Expenditure	...	34,27,403	...	...
Total	3,81,086	4,28,928	47,842	...					
Total Revenue	29,31,763	26,11,308	3,20,455	...					
Deficit	4,96,640	1,39,703	...	...			
Grand total of Revenue	34,27,403	27,51,011	...	...			

RECEIPTS.					DISBURSEMENTS.				
PARTICULARS.	Actuals 1930-1931.	Actuals 1931-1932.	DIFFERENCE.		PARTICULARS.	Actuals 193-1931.	Actuals 1931-1932.	DIFFERENCE.	
			Increase.	Decrease.				Increase.	Decrease.
Opening balance...	11,49,107	15,57,471	1,08,294	3,27,455	State Expenditure	34,56,439	37,51,011	3,94,572	6,75,428
State Revenue	20,31,763	26,11,308	1,24,240	1,24,240	Government of Bengal	10,50,901	16,73,271	6,22,370	6,22,370
Personal Accounts.	16,75,686	15,51,436	1,24,240	1,24,240	House Building Advance	6,772	3,380	3,392	3,412
House Building Advance	8,773	7,320	1,453	1,453	Loans to sundry individuals	961	964	3	964
Loans to sundry individuals	1,450	1,436	14	14	Chakijat Loan Account	...	...	...	...
Chakijat Loan Account	Capital Account	...	...	...	...
Loan from the Imperial Bank	Cooch Behar State Railway Capital Account	...	...	...	...
Capital Account.	Government Paper	...	...	...	...
C. B. State Railway Capital Account.	Anti-Cholera Fund	...	...	...	...
Government Paper	Darjeeling Fire Insurance Fund	...	...	...	...
Local Funds.	Children's Fund	...	...	...	...
Anti-Cholera Fund	Reserve Fund	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling Fire Insurance Fund	Communication Improvement Fund	...	...	...	...
Children's Fund	Contribution Works, P. W. D.	...	...	...	...
Reserve Fund	Interest on Trust Fund in favour of	...	...	...	...
Communication Improvement Fund	Sukriti Devi	...	...	...	...
Contribution Works, P. W. D.	Village Chakidari Fund	...	...	...	...
Interest on Trust Fund in favour of	Pound Fund	...	...	...	...
Sukriti Devi	Cooch Behar Town Committee	...	...	...	...
Village Chakidari Fund	Dinhata Town Committee	...	...	...	...
Pound Fund	Mathabanga Town Committee	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar Town Committee	Haldibari Town Committee	...	...	...	...
Dinhata Town Committee	Interest on Trust Fund	...	...	...	...
Mathabanga Town Committee	Temple Scholarship Fund	...	...	...	...
Haldibari Town Committee	Vidyasagar Memorial Fund	...	...	...	...
Interest on Trust Fund	Bhubannath Scholarship Fund	...	...	...	...
Temple Scholarship Fund	H. H.'s Investment Fund	...	...	...	...
Vidyasagar Memorial Fund	Total	...	...	...	...
Bhubannath Scholarship Fund	Deposits.	...	...	...	...
H. H.'s Investment Fund	Cooch Behar State Revenue Deposit	...	...	...	...
Total	Chakijat Estates	...	...	...	...
Deposits.	Cooch Behar State General Deposit	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar State Revenue Deposit	Chakijat Estates	...	...	...	...
Chakijat Estates	Judicial deposits	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar State General Deposit	Total	...	...	...	...
Chakijat Estates	Advances Recoverable.	...	...	...	...
Judicial deposits	Cooch Behar State Advances recoverable	...	...	...	...
Total	Chakijat Estates	...	...	...	...
Advances Recoverable.	Cooch Behar State Permanent Advances	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar State Advances recoverable	Chakijat Estates	...	...	...	...
Chakijat Estates	Darjeeling Estate Advances	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar State Permanent Advances	Total	...	...	...	...
Chakijat Estates	Bullion account	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling Estate Advances	Suspense account	...	...	...	...
Total	Miscellaneous Cash Remittance	...	...	...	...
Bullion account	Loan to Chakijat by Cooch Behar State	...	...	...	...
Suspense account	Darjeeling Estate Cash Account	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous Cash Remittance	Chief Auditor, E. B. Railway	...	...	...	...
Loan to Chakijat by Cooch Behar State	Darjeeling Cash Account	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling Estate Cash Account	Closing Balance	...	...	...	...
Chief Auditor, E. B. Railway	Total	...	...	...	...

STATEMENT I.

Statement showing the sale of Stamps during the year 1931-1932.

Names of Sub-divisions.	JUDICIAL.		DOCUMENTARY.		COURT-FEE.		COPYING-FEE.		MISCELLANEOUS.		Total.
	With commission.	Without commission.	With commission.	Without commission.	With commission.	Without commission.	With commission.	Without commission.	Fines & penalties.	Duty on unsold stamps.	
	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.
Buddar	52,497 0	8,299 0	8,973 8	267 0	13,178 0	....	1,875 0	....	272 8	107 14	88,559 14
Dinhata	41,309 0	810 0	7,429 0	....	16,708 0	....	1,427 0	....	26 0	26 0	67,485 0
Mathabhanga	41,818 0	804 0	7,810 0	....	17,182 0	....	1,677 0	....	....	....	68,421 0
Mekligunj	28,309 8	581 0	5,991 0	326 0	8,821 0	....	845 0	....	146 0	91 18	43,184 4
Tufangunj	18,614 8	146 0	4,325 8	....	6,512 8	....	442 8	....	....	....	28,061 0
Total	1,80,848 0	10,243 0	30,069 0	593 0	67,401 8	....	6,280 8	....	444 8	225 10	2,96,401 2

STATEMENT II.

Statement showing the sale of Stamps during the year 1931-32.

Names of Sub-divisions.	Commission Vendors.	Net sale.	ADHESIVE STAMP.		
			With commission.	Commission to vendors.	Net amount.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Buddar	1,802 14 8	88,756 15 3	1,519 11 0	94 15 9	1,424 11 4
Dinhata	1,514 9 0	68,920 7 0	537 0 0	33 9 0	503 7 0
Mathabhanga	1,535 7 0	66,885 9 0	615 0 0	38 7 0	576 9 0
Mekligunj	854 4 6	42,289 15 6	750 0 0	46 14 0	703 2 0
Tufangunj	618 4 0	27,432 12 0	378 0 0	23 10 0	354 6 0
Total	6,365 7 8	2,89,235 10 9	3,799 11 0	237 7 8	3,562 3 4

STATEMENT III.

Statement showing the sale of Stamps during the year 1931-32.

Names of Sub-divisions.	CARTRIDGE PAPER.			Embossed Stamp.	Service Postage Stamp.	Grand total of the gross amount.	Grand total of the net amount.
	With commission.	Commission to vendors.	Net amount.				
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Buddar	647 10 0	40 7 6	607 2 6	18 12 0	10,238 13 6	1,00,984 12 6	99,046 6 7
Dinhata	435 0 0	27 3 0	407 13 0	....	....	68,407 0 0	68,811 11 0
Mathabhanga	360 0 0	22 8 0	337 8 0	....	....	69,396 0 0	67,799 10 0
Mekligunj	255 0 0	15 15 0	239 1 0	....	....	44,159 4 0	43,182 2 6
Tufangunj	180 0 0	11 4 0	168 12 0	....	....	28,609 0 0	27,935 14 0
Total	1,877 10 0	117 5 6	1,760 4 6	18 12 0	10,238 13 6	3,11,536 0 6	3,04,815 12 1

STATEMENT "IV"

Kinds of stamps.	1930-31.	1931-32.	Increase.	Decrease.	Remarks.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Judicial	2,15,944 0 0	1,90,591 0 0	.....	25,353 0 0	
Documentary	42,520 0 0	30,652 0 0	.....	11,868 0 0	
Court-fee	67,642 12 0	67,401 8 0	.....	241 4 0	
Copying-fee	7,155 4 0	6,286 8 0	.....	868 12 0	
Miscellaneous	3,446 11 0	670 2 0	.....	2,776 9 0	
Cartridge paper	2,074 8 0	1,877 10 0	.....	196 14 0	
Adhesive Stamp	4,743 0 0	3,799 11 0	.....	943 5 0	
Embossed Stamp	20 0 0	18 12 0	.....	1 4 0	
Service postage Stamp.	10,209 12 0	10,238 13 6	29 1 6	.....
Total	3,58,755 15 0	3,11,536 0 6	29 1 6	42,249 0 0	

APPENDIX III. REVENUE STATEMENT NO. I.—Statement of Demands, Collections and Balances of Land Revenue (Mdl) for the year 1931-32.

Name of Mchul.	DEMANDS.		COLLECTIONS.		REMISSIONS.		BALANCES.		PAID IN EXCESS.	
	Present year.	Previous year.	Present year.	Previous year.	Present year.	Previous year.	Present year.	Previous year.	Present year.	Previous year.
Re. A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.
Re. A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.
8,135 7 5	911 8 3	8,306 18 8	7,769 3 7	7,945 5 7	.....	.....	293 12 2	35 4 8	431 0 10	.....
17,01,790 13 1	1,58,533 9 8	24,97,354 8 9	5,64,536 3 5	4,17,835 0 0	10,12,391 12 5	2,471 6 8	11,35,708 8 7	3,45,353 4 0	14,81,066 12 7	2,675 6 11
17,09,856 6 6	7,83,765 1 11	23,05,621 8 3	5,72,325 5 5	4,48,011 17 7	10,30,337 2 0	2,471 6 8	11,40,104 4 9	3,45,393 8 8	14,85,497 13 5	2,684 17 8
1,20,171 11 8	57,002 8 11	1,87,174 4 7	90,405 3 6	33,901 13 8	1,21,310 1 2	4,918 11 0	39,156 8 0	18,370 0 3	85,036 8 3	80 15 10
13,40,028 2 2	8,35,767 10 10	24,92,793 13 0	6,62,730 8 11	4,81,916 10 2	11,44,647 3 3	7,360 1 8	11,72,369 12 9	3,61,263 8 11	15,43,524 5 8	2,765 13 6
GARD TOTAL										

EXPLANATIONS.

(a) The current demand for the year was Rs. 18,40,092-2-3 against Rs. 18,57,180-10-3 of the previous year. The gross increase amounts to Rs. 6,093-2-2 and the gross decrease to Rs. 23,205-15-3. There was thus a net decrease of Rs. 17,112-13-1. The detail are given below :—

INCREASE.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Increase due to re-settlement of khas jotes	72	12	0
2. Ditto re-settlement of relinquished jotes	74	12	0
3. Ditto settlement of khas lands	446	9	0
4. Ditto settlement of khas lands at full rates	1,408	7	2
5. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	3,533	0	0
6. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	6,093	2	2
7. Total	11,470	13	6

(b) Total balance shown at the close of the previous year Rs. 831,394 4 3. Arrears brought forward in this statement Rs. 2,21,767 10 10. Increase mainly due to re-settlement with retrospective effect and rectification of mistakes Rs. 1,473 6 8.

(c) The total collections include excess payments which form no part of the demand. These payments should be deducted in order to strike the balance correctly.

(d) The Council letter No. 264, dated the 22nd July, 1932.

DECREASE.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Decrease due to relinquishment of jotes	421	11	0
2. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	1,092	12	11
3. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	425	5	10
4. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	156	2	0
5. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	58	2	0
6. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	244	12	0
7. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	83	0	0
8. Ditto re-settlement of khas lands	19,970	13	6
9. Total	22,918	16	3
Deduct increase	6,093	2	2
Net decrease	17,125	13	1

REVENUE STATEMENT No. II.—Statement of Demands, Collections and Balances of Land Revenue (Debutter) for the year 1931-32.

NAME OF MHAL.	DEMANDS.			COLLECTIONS.			REMISSIONS.			BALANCES.			PAID IN EXCESS.		
	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.
Mahals permanently settled or Mohkari estates.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.	Ra. A. P.
	33 15 4	.....	33 15 4	33 15 4	....	33 15 4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mahals not permanently settled ..	1,54,800 13 8	61,335 13 10 5	15,773 11 6	48,233 14 8	40,114 0 5	88,347 15 1	.....	339 14 0	339 14 0	339 14 0	1,08,300 5 11	20,384 15 5	1,27,104 5 4	.....	64 6 11
TOTAL ..	1,54,816 13 0	61,335 13 10 5	15,773 11 6	48,271 14 0	40,114 0 5	88,345 14 5	.....	339 14 0	339 14 0	339 14 0	1,08,300 5 11	20,384 15 5	1,27,104 5 4	.....	64 6 11
Syria Mahals ..	6,974 0 0	1,744 5 0	8,718 5 0	5,054 5 0	1,146 13 0	6,201 3 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,319 11 0	897 8 0	2,317 3 0	.....	.....
GRAND TOTAL ..	1,61,790 13 8	63,083 3 10 5	24,473 15 10	53,236 3 0	41,260 13 5	94,487 0 9	.....	(c) 339 14 0	339 14 0	339 14 0	1,09,129 0 11	21,433 7 5	1,30,621 5 4	.....	64 6 11

EXPLANATIONS:

(a) The current demand for the year is Ra. 1,61,790-13-8 against Ra. 1,51,745 of the previous year showing a decrease of Ra. 1,017-5-8 which is chiefly due to re-settlement of Syria Mahals. The details are given below:—

INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Ra. A. P.		Ra. A. P.
(1) Increase due to rectification of mistakes	..	1. Decrease due to lot made cash under Sec. 19 of the Revenue Sale Act	..
(2) " " enhancement of rates at full rates	..	2. " " rectification of mistakes	..
(3) " " rectification of Syria Mahals	..	3. " " acquisition of land	..
(4) " " rectification of Syria Mahals	..	4. " " rectification of Syria Mahals	..
Total	390 9 0	Total	1,007 13 0
		Deficit increase	590 9 0
		Net Decrease	1,317 3 0

(b) The total collections include excess payments which form a part of the demand. These payments should be deducted in order to arrive at the balance correctly.

(c) Vide Council Office Letter No. 994, dated the 22nd July 1932.

CIVIL STATEMENT NO. I.

Statement showing the result of the trial of original suits in the Civil and Rent Courts of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1931-1932.

CIVIL COURTS.	Pending from the last year.	Instituted during the year.	Received by transfer.	Total for disposal.	Transferred to other courts.	Faintly rejected or returned after registration thereof.	Dismissed for default.	Withdrawn.	Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed ex parte.	Dismissed ex parte.	Referred to arbitration.	CONTESTED.		Over six months.	Over twelve months.	AVERAGE DURATION OF SUITS.	
														Judgment for plaintiff in whole or part.	Judgment for defendant.			Contested.	Uncontested.
CIVIL.																			
Civil Judge	16	39	...	55	...	...	...	...	2	...	22	...	...	16	3	35	4	6 10	3 13
Assistant Civil Judge	116	473	...	518	...	...	...	...	35	96	228	...	...	17	...	437	13	5 29	1 27
Naib Ahlikar, Tufangunj	63	183	...	236	...	...	...	...	7	41	103	...	...	...	...	215	1	6 8	1 29
Additional Naib Ahlikar, Sudder	...	...	9	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	4	4 15	3 10
Naib Ahlikar	8	1	11	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	...	6 28	1 25
Naib Ahlikar, Dinbata	30	29	...	320	159	...	12	...	6	54	60	...	...	...	...	141	...	4 92	1 12
Additional Naib Ahlikar, Dinbata	38	24	159	221	...	...	26	...	16	53	70	...	...	...	...	191	...	7 22	2 16
Naib Ahlikar, Mathabhangha	44	256	1	301	171	...	6	...	15	96	49	...	...	...	...	107	...	10 5	3 1
Additional Naib Ahlikar, Mathabhangha	29	11	171	211	1	...	13	...	28	48	70	...	1	...	...	179	...	4 92	3 12
Naib Ahlikar, Mekligunj	37	160	...	197	...	...	22	...	18	37	90	...	...	...	...	172	...	9 15	1 6
Debuter Naib Ahlikar	6	5	9	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	17	...	7 29	3 20
TOTAL	386	1,383	364	2,129	360	...	177	3	126	353	493	17	1	109	36	1,520	30	.....	...
RENT COURTS.																			
Civil Judge	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	0 17
Assistant Civil Judge	172	1,374	...	1,546	13	...	117	1	32	432	797	...	...	...	...	1,451	2	3 12	1 17
Treasury Naib Ahlikar	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	6 12	2 15
Debuter Naib Ahlikar	1	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	.....	4 10
Naib Ahlikar, Tufangunj	75	712	...	787	...	...	75	...	36	19	439	...	...	...	...	719	2	4 2	1 11
Additional Naib Ahlikar, Sudder	125	1,818	11	11	...	...	...	...	30	108	553	...	...	...	...	11	...	.....	1 12
Naib Ahlikar, Dinbata	101	52	1,162	1,315	1,162	...	29	...	47	171	836	...	...	...	...	733	1	2 10	1 1
Additional Naib Ahlikar, Dinbata	64	1,638	1	1,703	1,171	...	55	...	10	116	337	...	...	...	...	1,178	...	3 10	1 2
Naib Ahlikar, Mathabhangha	64	4	1,171	1,359	1,171	...	7	...	25	222	952	...	...	...	...	495	2	3 24	1 17
Additional Naib Ahlikar, Mathabhangha	148	939	...	1,097	...	...	31	...	11	240	681	...	...	...	...	1,241	1	3 23	1 10
Naib Ahlikar, Mekligunj	148	939	...	1,097	...	...	26	...	11	240	681	...	...	...	...	976	5	3 1	1 6
TOTAL	834	6,579	2,347	9,760	2,347	...	340	2	191	1,518	4,642	...	...	101	6	6,800	14	.....	...
SMALL CAUSE COURT SUITS UP TO Rs. 100.																			
Assistant Civil Judge	42	591	...	631	...	...	55	1	7	235	286	2	...	...	...	615	...	0 29	0 19
Naib Ahlikar, Tufangunj	35	338	...	373	...	...	46	...	14	105	163	1	...	...	...	234	...	2 23	1 3
Ditto, Dinbata	53	317	...	372	...	...	23	...	11	163	149	...	...	...	...	326	...	1 22	1 4
Ditto, Mathabhangha	66	486	...	652	...	...	59	1	13	119	210	2	...	...	...	419	...	1 2	1 6
Ditto, Mekligunj	25	255	...	280	...	...	23	...	8	122	96	...	...	...	...	255	...	1 10	0 20
TOTAL	223	1,990	...	2,213	...	...	208	2	59	694	896	6	...	97	33	1,953	...	.....	...
GRAND TOTAL	1,443	9,952	2,707	14,102	2,707	...	725	7	375	2,536	6,236	22	1	307	75	10,303	44	.....	...

CIVIL STATEMENT No. II.

Statement showing the execution of decrees of Civil and Rent Courts of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1931-32.

COURTS.	APPLICATION TO EXECUTE DECREES				APPLICATIONS DISPOSED OF.		PENDING.		NATURE AND NUMBER OF CASES IN WHICH COMPROMISE PROCESS ISSUED.						APPLICATIONS FOR INSOLVENCY.						
	Pending at the beginning of year.	Filed.	Received by transfer.	Total.	Leave partially satisfied.	Struck off.	TOTAL.	Transferred.	More than six months.		Total pending.		Against the person.		Movable property.		Immovable property.		Overs under Order XXXI, Rule 99, Code of Civil Procedure.	Allowed.	Disallowed.
									More than twelve months.	More than six months.	Arrest.	Imprisonment.	Attached.	Sold.	Attached.	Sold.					
<i>Civil.</i>																					
Civil Judge, Cooch Behar	29	61	...	90	33	63	56	...	11	2	31	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...
Assistant Civil Judge, ditto	54	372	...	436	126	213	339	...	20	...	117	40	51	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...
Deputy Naib Ahikar	1	8	...	9	6	6	6	...	1	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...
Additional Naib Ahikar, Sudder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Treasury Naib Ahikar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Tufanganj	46	166	...	212	87	13	21	...	3	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Dinabata	32	119	...	151	41	65	164	...	5	...	48	34	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Additional Naib Ahikar, Dinabata	43	112	...	155	52	62	111	...	3	...	45	15	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Mathabhang	50	186	...	166	40	94	134	...	10	...	52	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Additional Naib Ahikar, Mathabhang	27	107	...	134	43	69	112	...	5	...	22	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Mekligunj	35	133	...	168	56	73	139	...	9	...	39	38	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	356	1,234	...	1,589	456	695	1,181	...	76	2	408	163	164	7	636	71	310	331	2	...	2
<i>Real.</i>																					
Civil Judge, Cooch Behar	10	17	...	27	9	8	17	...	3	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Assistant Civil Judge, ditto	536	1,935	...	2,471	992	857	1,789	...	123	3	682	190	197	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Treasury Naib Ahikar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Deputy Naib Ahikar	3	12	...	15	4	8	12	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Additional Naib Ahikar, Sudder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Tufanganj	209	5-6	...	795	394	251	645	...	28	...	150	93	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Dinabata	803	871	...	1,174	537	373	891	...	40	...	378	255	73	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Additional Naib Ahikar, Dinabata	1,265	...	...	1,840	688	532	1,432	...	42	...	429	381	68	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Mathabhang	296	765	...	1,061	502	243	795	...	45	...	266	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Additional Naib Ahikar, Mathabhang	313	1,336	...	1,693	844	416	1,290	...	50	...	419	34	79	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Mekligunj	195	665	...	1,150	472	335	825	...	80	...	355	120	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	2,478	7,766	...	10,244	4,563	3,117	7,680	...	416	17	2,564	1,106	481	12	4,186	1,343	5,270	3,444	1	...	...
<i>Small Cause Courts up to Rs. 20 & 50.</i>																					
Assistant Civil Judge, Cooch Behar	23	389	...	412	41	322	363	...	...	...	49	...	65	1	232	12	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Tufanganj	18	162	...	180	31	123	154	...	2	...	26	...	11	...	205	4	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Dinabata	28	176	...	204	14	150	164	...	...	...	40	...	35	...	179	4	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Mathabhang	35	192	...	227	33	166	186	...	...	...	41	...	32	...	184	8	...	...	...	...	...
Naib Ahikar, Mekligunj	11	115	...	126	14	103	117	...	...	...	9	...	18	...	80	8	...	...	...	...	...
Total	115	1,034	...	1,149	130	684	984	...	2	...	165	...	159	1	899	36	...	...	...	...	...
Grand total	2,948	10,344	...	12,982	5,179	4,666	9,845	...	494	19	3,137	1,369	904	20	5,701	1,450	5,580	3,778	3	...	2

CIVIL STATEMENT No. III.

Statement showing the result of the trial of original suits in the Civil and Rent Courts of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1931-9932.

Names of Judicial Officers.	DETAILS OF DISPOSAL.							REMARKS.
	Confirmed.	Reversed.	Modified.	Remanded.	Dismissed on default.	Compromised.	Total disposed of.	
Srijut Nagendra Prosad Ray, B.L. ...	3	23	...	4	103	...	133	
„ Sarat Chandra Ghoshal, M.A., B.L....	...	9	1	3	28	...	41	
Nirmal Chandra Mustafi, B. L., ...	3	3	1	5	42	...	54	
„ Manabendra Nath Bhattacharjee, B.L.	1	4	...	...	17	...	22	
„ Nagendra Nath Ray, B.L. ...	1	...	...	...	2	...	3	
„ Siddheswar Banerjee, M. A., B. L. ...	2	15	1	5	44	...	67	
Moulvi Ahmed Hossein Prodhan, B. L. ...	5	5	1	4	28	...	43	
Srijut Nirranjan Sen Gupta, M.A., B. L. ...	5	2	3	...	4	...	14	
„ Lalit Mohan Buxi, B. L. ...	2	...	...	1	2	...	5	
„ Dwijendra Chandra Sen, B. L. ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	
„ Himadribullabh Biswas M.A. B.L., ...	...	...	...	...	3	...	3	

APPENDIX V.

Statement A.
RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1931-1932, COOCH BEHAR STATE.

PART I.—Return of cases.

Serial Number.	LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Number pending from previous year.	Number reported in the year.	Number in which investigation was refused.	Number remaining for investigation.	Number proved or declared to be false.	Number due to mistake of law or fact or declared non-cognizable.	Number pending at end of year.	True cases.				Total magistrate's true cases.	Total magistrate's cases convicted.	Grand total of true cases (14+15).	REMARKS.
										Convicted.	Acquitted.	Not detected or apprehended.	Total true cases (Columns 6+11+12+13).				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Sections of I.P. Code																
1	115, 117, 118, 119 ..	Abetment of cognizable offences	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		CLASS I.—Offences against the State, public tranquility, safety and justice.															
2	121 to 126, 128 ..	Offences relating to the Army and Navy.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	251 to 251 ..	Offences relating to coin	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	
4	255 to 255A ..	Offences relating to stamps	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	467 and 471 ..	Offences relating to Government Promissory notes.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	
6	469A to 469D ..	Offences relating to Currency notes and bank notes.	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	213 to 216, 216A ..	Harboring an offender	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	
8	224, 225, 225B and 225C ..	Other offences against public Justice.	1	3	.....	4	.....	.....	2	2	.....	.....	2	2	2	4	
9	143 to 153, 157, 158, 159 ..	Rioting or unlawful assembly	5	10	.....	24	1	4	4	7	3	5	16	22	2	37	
10	146, 170, 171 ..	Personating public servant or soldier.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total ..	7	25	.....	32	1	5	6	11	4	5	20	25	4	45	
		CLASS II.—Serious offences against the person.															
11	292, 293, 296 ..	Murder ..	2	5	.....	7	.....	2	.....	.....	2	3	5	.....	.....	5	
12	307 ..	Attempts at murder	.....	2	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	
13	304, 308 ..	Culpable homicide ..	.....	2	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	
14	376 ..	Rape ..	2	2	.....	4	.....	1	1	1	1	.....	2	2	.....	4	
15	377 ..	Unnatural offences ..	.....	2	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	
16	317, 318 ..	Exposure of infants or concealment of birth.	1*	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	
17	268, 269, 269 ..	Attempt at the abetment of, suicide.	.....	2	.....	2	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	
18	295, 296, 299, 331, 332, 335 ..	Grievous hurt ..	.....	8	.....	8	.....	1	.....	3	3	1	7	1	.....	8	
19	328 ..	Administering stupefying drugs to cause hurt.	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	1	
20	224, 227, 229, 322 ..	Hurt ..	1	14	.....	15	1	3	1	.....	2	8	10	10	1	20	
21	353 to 359 and 372, 373 and 374 ..	Kidnaping or abduction selling etc. for prostitution and dealing in slaves.	.....	9	.....	9	2	2	2	1	.....	2	3	10	.....	13	
22	246 to 248 ..	Wrongful confinement and restraint in secret or for purpose of extortion.	1	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	2	1	.....	3	
23	353, 354, 356, 357 ..	Criminal force to public servant or woman, or an attempt to commit theft or wrongfully confine.	2	2	.....	4	2	1	.....	.....	1	.....	1	11	1	12	
24	304A, 328 ..	Rash or negligent act causing death or grievous hurt.	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	
		Total ..	9	51	.....	60	7	11	5	8	12	17	27	25	2	72	
		CLASS III.—Serious offences against person and property, or against property only.															
25	391, 392, 396, 399, 402 ..	Disorder and preparation and assembly for dacoity.	(a) 18	26	.....	44	1	1	10	2	1	29	32	.....	.....	32	(a) One case transferred from Serial No. 29.
26	392, 393, 394, 397, 398 ..	Robbery ..	(b) 10	18	.....	18	3	1	.....	1	3	10	14	2	.....	16	(b) One case transferred from Serial No. 39.
27	270, 281, 282, 430 to 432, 433 to 440 ..	Serious mischief and cognate offences.	2	9	.....	11	.....	1	2	.....	.....	8	8	.....	.....	8	

* This case was not shown in the last year Statement through oversight.

RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1931-1932, COOCH BEHAR STATE.

PART I.--Return of cases for the whole State (Continued.)

LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Number pending from previous year.	Number reported in the year.	Number in which investigation was refused.	Number remaining for investigation.	Number proved or declared to be false.	Number lost to mistake of law or fact or declared non-cognisable.	Number pending at end of year.	True cases.								Total Magistrate's cases convicted.	Grand total of true cases (columns 14+15+16+17.)	REMARKS.
									Convicted.	Acquitted.	Not detected or apprehended.	Total true cases (columns 11+12+13+14).	Total Magistrate's true cases.						
														11	12	13				14	15	16	17
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18			
CLASS III.—Serious offences against person and property only. Contd.																			
428, 429.....	Mischief by killing, poisoning, or maiming any animal.	..	5	...	5	..	2	..	3	1	...	3	4	1	7	(c) Two cases transferred to Serial Nos. 25 & 26.			
449 to 462, 464, 465, 467 to 469.	House-trespass with a view to commit an offence or having made preparation for hurt.	(c) 12	394	137	269	11	3	9	16	6	234	383	6	..	387				
311, 400, 401.....	Belonging to gangs of thugs, dacoits, robbers and thieves.	1	...	...	1	..	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	..	1	
Total.....		36	449	137	248	15	8	21	33	11	271	441	10	1	451				
CLASS IV.—Minor offences against the person.																			
341 to 344	Wrongful restraint and confinement	1	2	...	4	..	..	..	..	1	2	4	12	1	16	
336, 337	Rash act causing hurt or endangering life	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
374	Compulsory labour	1	..	...	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	...	..	1	
Total.....		2	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	4	5	12	1	17	
CLASS V.—Minor offences against property.																			
307 to 322	Theft..... { of cattle ordinary	(d) 30	14	..	17	1	2	5	7	1	1	9	...	..	9	(d) One case transferred to Serial No. 35.	
406 to 409	Criminal breach of trust	(e) 21	166	48	129	8	9	5	34	6	67	155	116	5	271	(e) One case transferred to Serial No. 36.			
411, to 414	Receiving stolen property	11	3	..	14	1	2	7	4	..	..	4	37	..	31		
410, 420	Cheating	4	24	..	28	..	3	5	16	1	3	30	1	5	21				
447, 448, and 453 and 456	Criminal or house-trespass and lurking house-trespass or house-breaking.	(f) 1	4	..	5	..	..	3	2	..	..	3	23	1	23	(f) There were two cases pending in the last year but through mistake only one case shown in the Statement. Of these one case transferred to Serial No. 18 of the Statement B.
461, 462	Breaking closed receptacle ..	3	12	..	15	1	..	3	4	3	5	19	53	2	66				
Total.....		43	214	49	208	11	16	27	67	11	76	208	220	13	428				
CLASS VI.—Other offences not specified above.																			
295 to 297.....	Offences against religion	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	...	1	
269, 277, 279, 280, 283, 285, 286	Public nuisances	..	3	...	3	...	..	..	2	..	1	3	...	..	3	
290, 291 to 294, & Section 31 of Act III of 1890, and nuisance punishable under local laws.	.....	3	388	...	391	...	1	1	377	13	..	380	1	..	390			
Chapter VII C. P. C. and Act IX of 1874.	Vagrancy and bad character	3	35	...	38	...	..	15	23	...	..	23	...	..	23	
Offences against gambling Act.		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
—Excise Laws .....		..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	...	..	1	...	..	1	
—Railway Laws		2	...	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	3	...	..	2	
Cognisable offence under the Acts specified.		..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	35	2	36	
—Cooch Behar Fishery Act		2	11	...	13	..	..	2	9	..	2	11	...	..	11	
—Stamp Act .....		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
—Arms Act		1	3	...	4	...	..	..	3	1	..	4	...	..	4	
Other special and local laws declared to be cognisable.		..	3	..	3	..	..	1	1	..	1	2	...	..	2	
Total.....		11	445	..	456	...	1	19	419	13	4	436	37	2	473				
GRAND TOTAL ..		108	1,187	186	1,109	31	41	78	527	52	277	1,142	239	23	1,401				

PART II.—Return of Persons concerned in cases.

Serial No.	LAW UNDER WHICH OFFENCE COMMITTED	OFFENCE	Persons in Police custody pending trial or Criminal Procedure Code at beginning of year	Persons in Police custody pending trial or Criminal Procedure Code at end of year	Arrested by the Police during the year.	Released under section 109, Criminal Procedure Code.	Released by magistrate's order before trial.	Number of persons tried.	Number convicted.	Number acquitted or discharged.	Number of persons evading arrest at close of year.	Number in custody pending trial or investigation, or on bail at end of year.	Persons concerned in Magistrate's cases.		Persons arrested.	Number convicted.	Number acquitted or discharged.	Persons pending with Police.	Persons pending with Magistrate.	REMARKS.	
													Number arrested.	Number convicted.							
1	SECTION 109, CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE.	Arrest of persons under section 109, Criminal Procedure Code.																			
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Statement B.

RETURN OF NON-COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1931-1932.

PART I.—Return of Non-cognisable cases.

Serial No.	LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE	Number pending at beginning of year.	Cases reported in the year.	Total for disposal. (Columns 4 and 5).	Number missed without trial.	Cases in which accused died, escaped or became insane during trial or in which charges were dropped or in which the case was withdrawn (Sections 247, 248, 249, 252, 245 and 264 C. P. C.).	Number of cases tried to a conclusion and ending in		Number pending at close of year.	Number declared by the court never to have occurred or to be mistakes of law or fact.	Number in which the court held that a cognizable offence was committed.	Cases reversed on appeal or on revision.	REMARKS.
								Discharge or acquittal.	Conviction.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
116	Abetment of offence not committed, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
118 119	...	Concealing design to commit offence	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CLASS I.—Offences against the State, Public Tranquillity, &c. &c.														
121 to 130, 308	...	Offences against the State	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
137	Harbouring deserters by master of ship	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
172 to 190, 301 to 304, 313 to 315 and 325A, 327 to 329	...	Offences against public justice	...	6	82	88	3	8	24	47	6	...	...
161 to 169, 217 to 223	...	Offences by public servants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
193 to 200, 306 to 311, 431 to 434.	...	False evidence, false complaints and claims, and fraudulent deeds, and disposition of property.	...	4	11	15	...	2	6	4	8	...	...
465 to 477A.	...	Forgery or fraudulently using forged documents	...	...	7	7	...	...	1	5	1	...	...
304 to 307	...	Offences relating to weights and measures	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
492 to 499	...	Making or using false trade-marks	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
149, 162A to 166, 160	...	Rioting unlawful assembly, affray	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...
		Total	...	10	104	114	3	11	29	88	10	...	...
CLASS II.—Serious offences against the person.														
312 to 316	...	Causing miscarriage	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
370	Buying or disposing of slaves	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
370	Rape by the husband	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CLASS III.—Serious offences against property.														
384 to 389	...	Extortion	...	...	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
CLASS IV.—Minor offences against the person.														
345	Wrongful confinement	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
362, 365, 368	...	Criminal force	...	13	135	148	22	90	4	12	14	...	...
334	Hurt on grave or sudden provocation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
393	Voluntarily causing hurt	...	20	133	153	15	100	8	14	18	...	...
		Total	...	33	270	303	37	196	19	26	38	...	...
CLASS V.—Minor offences against property.														
417, 418	...	Cheating	...	2(a)	7	9	2	2	4	1	...	...	...
403 to 406	...	Criminal misappropriation of property	...	7	84	91	26	6	17	3	10	...	...
420, 427 and 494	...	Mischief (simple)	...	28	83	108	8	67	10	7	16	...	...
		Total	...	34	144	178	36	74	31	10	27	...	...
CLASS VI.—Other offences not specified above.														
298	Offences against religion	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
400 to 402	...	Criminal breach of contract of service	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
403 to 408	...	Offences relating to marriage	...	7	41	48	20	18	4	4	7	...	...
400 to 402	...	Defamation	...	...	9	9	...	6	2	...	1	...	...
504, 506 to 510	...	Intimidation and insult	...	4	27	31	6	12	...	3	10	...	...
271 to 276, 278, 284	...	Public and local nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
297, 306, 290.	...	Keeping a lottery office	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
294A	Security for keeping the peace on conviction	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under Chit. VIII, (a) C. P. C.	...	Public nuisances	...	...	17	17	9	2	3	...	4	...	...
Offences under Chit. X, C. P. C.	...	Disputes as to immovable property	...	5	12	17	4	9	1	2	1	...	...
Offences under Chit. XII, C. P. C.	...	Maintenance of wives and children	...	1	11	12	1	9	...	1	1	...	...
Offences under Chit. XXXVI C. P. C.	
		Total	...	17	117	134	40	81	9	10	24	...	...
Special Laws, offences under which are not cognizable by the Police														
Regulation VI of 1919	...	Ferries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Act I (B. C.) of 1866	...	Railway	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
XVIII of 1864	
XXI	
XIII of 1870	
IX of 1890	
VII (B.C.) of 1878	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
I of 1869	
XIII of 1909	
XI of 1878	
V of 1861	
II (B. C.) of 1864	
XXII of 1864	
VII B. C. of 1864	
I (B. C.) of 1878	
IV (B.C.) of 1868	
XX of 1865	
V (B. C.) of 1868	
XIV of 1868	
XVIII of 1869	
VII of 1870	
I of 1869	
VI of 1871	
XI B. C. of 1871	
X of 1882, Chit. XXXV.	
IV (B. C.) 1873	
I of 1866	
VIII of 1876	
XIX of 1876	
III of 1877	
		Total	...	16	217	233	10	83	11	149	10	...	...
		Grand Total	...	110	864	964	126	365	97	283	103	...	...

(a) One case transferred from Serial No. 37 of the Statement A.

(XIV)
Statement B.
RETURN OF NON-COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1931-1932, COOCH BEHAR STATE.
PART II.—Return of Persons concerned in Non-cognizable cases.

Serial number.	LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Persons concerned in cases pending at beginning of year, namely under trial or against whom process had issued.	Persons against whom process issued.		Persons who appeared before the Courts.	Persons discharged after appearance without trial.	Persons tried.		Percentage of number convicted to number against whom process issued (columns 8 & 11).	Persons under trial at close of the year.	REMARKS.			REMARKS.	
				On complaint.	On Magistrate's own motion, or information from the Police.			Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.			Number concerned in cases abandoned, compounded or withdrawn and number who died, escaped or became insane during trial.	Number of those in column 11 convicted out of cognizable offences.	Persons who died, escaped or were transferred before appearance.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14(a)	14(b)	14(c)	15
1	118	Abetment of offence not committed, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	118, 119	Concealing design to commit offence	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CLASS I.—Offences against the State, Public Tranquillity, &c. &c.																
2	121 to 180, 505	Offences against the State	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	181	Harbouring deserters by master of ship	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	172 to 190, 201 to 204, 212 to 215 and 225A, 227 to 229	Offences against public justice	...	9	62	82	153	2	60	97	...	4	...	...	...	...
5	181 to 189, 217 to 228	Offences by public servants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	191 to 200, 203 to 211, 421 to 424.	False evidence, false complaints and claims, and fraudulent deeds and disposition of property	...	8	5	14	32	8	8	4	...	1	3	...	...	...
7	405 to 477A	Forgery or fraudulently using forged documents	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8	284 to 307	Offences relating to weights and measures	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
9	482 to 490	Making or using false trade-marks	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	149, 152A to 156, 160	Kidning, unlawful assembly, seditious	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total	...	12	68	115	1	194	8	60	116	...	7	3	...	...
CLASS II.—Serious offences against the person.																
11	312 to 316	Causing miscarriage	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12	320	Buying or disposing of stolen goods	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12A	310	Rape by the husband	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CLASS III.—Serious offences against property.																
13	384 to 389	Extortion	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CLASS IV.—Minor offences against the person.																
14	345	Wrongful confinement	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	327, 335, 338	Criminal force	...	3	181	...	128	18	8	12	...	11	70	...	...	...
16	334	Hurt on grave or sudden provocation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
17	328	Voluntarily causing hurt	...	40	247	...	272	78	26	27	...	29	117	...	...	...
		Total	...	42	378	...	20	400	91	34	39	...	40	196	...	...
CLASS V.—Minor offences against property.																
18	417, 419	Cheating	...	1	8	...	9	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
19	408, 416, 408	Criminal misappropriation of property	...	10	43	1	83	0	32	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
20	426, 437, 434	Mischief (simple)	...	25	185	...	187	39	24	16	...	10	...	...	...	...
		Total	...	36	236	1	24	349	49	61	20	...	14	106	...	...
CLASS VI.—Other offences not specified above.																
21	490	Offences against religion	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
22	490 to 492	Criminal breach of contract of service	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
23	493 to 498	Offences relating to marriage	...	10	45	...	51	11	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24	500 to 502	Defamation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
25	504, 506 to 510	Intimidation and insult	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
26	571 to 575, 578, 584	Public and local nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
27	587, 598, 599	Keeping a lottery office	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
28	594 A	Security for keeping the peace on conviction	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
29	Offences under Chap. VIII (a) U.P.C.	Public nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
30	Offences under Chapter X, U.P.C.	Disputes as to immovable property	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
31	Cases under Chapter XII, U.P.C.	Maintenance of wives and children	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
32	Cases under Chapter XXXVI, U.P.C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total	...	16	183	...	7	140	38	23	12	...	14	60	...	...
Special Laws, offences under which are cognizable by the Police.																
33	Regulation VI of 1810	Ferries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
34	Act I (B.P.) of 1864	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
35	XXXI	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
36	XIII of 1870	Railway Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
37	IX of 1890	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
38	VII (B.C.) of 1872	Alkaree Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
39	I of 1859	Merchant Shipping Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
40	XIII of 1859	Branch of contract	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
41	XI of 1878	Arms Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
42	V of 1861	Police Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
43	III (B.C.) of 1862	Jails Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
44	XXII of 1864	Contaminated Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
45	VII (B.C.) of 1862	Salt Acts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
46	I (B.C.) of 1872	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
47	IV (B.C.) of 1865	Vaccination Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
48	XX of 1865	Producers and Milkmen Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
49	V (B.C.) of 1866	Hackney Carriage Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
50	XIV of 1869	Post office Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
51	XVII of 1870	Stamp Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
52	I of 1862	Court fee Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
53	VI of 1871	Cow and Bullock Cattle Traction Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
54	XI (B.C.) of 1871	Emigration Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
55	X of 1869, Chap. XXXV	Census Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
56	IV (B.C.) of 1873	Contempt of Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
57	I of 1866	Registration of Births and Deaths	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
58	VIII of 1873	Coch Behar Municipal Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
59	XIX of 1875	Native Passenger's Ships Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
60	III of 1877	Dramatic Performances Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Registration Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Mutiny Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Other special Laws	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total	...	5	184	110	13	330	13	16	168	...	10	60
		GRAND TOTAL	...	119	970	226	68	1241	189	106	346	2061	80	484

APPENDIX VI.

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I.—Comparative table shewing the number of deeds of different classes presented for registration during the years 1930-31 and 1931-32.

YEARS.			Gifts.	Sales.	Usufructuary mort- gages.	Simple mortgages.	Leases.	Obligations for pay- ment of money.	Wills.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
1930-1931	...	...	203	6,125	524	2,609	4,259	382	14	1,140	15,256
1931-1932	...	...	186	6,647	351	1,189	4,752	279	12	1,155	14,571
Increase...	...	...	...	522	...	...	493	...	...	15	...
Decrease...	...	...	17	...	173	1,420	.....	103	2	...	685

II.—Table shewing the number of deeds presented for registration in the different offices.

OFFICES.			Gifts.	Sales.	Usufructuary mort- gages.	Simple mortgages.	Leases.	Obligations for pay- ment of money.	Wills.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Registrar's and Sudder Sub- Registrar's offices	...	...	48	1,627	52	259	1,250	48	6	352	3,642
Dinhata office	...	...	51	1,867	19	332	1,230	98	...	276	3,873
Mathabhangra do	...	...	40	1,528	40	203	726	94	3	219	2,853
Mekligunj do	...	...	23	674	233	210	438	15	1	87	1,681
Tufangunj do	...	...	24	951	7	185	1,108	24	2	221	2,522
TOTAL	...	...	186	6,647	351	1,189	4,752	279	12	1,155	14,571

III.—Comparative statement of deeds registered and of receipts and disbursements for the years 1930-31 and 1931-32.

Years.	Number of deeds regis- tered.		Amount of fees and fines realised.	Cost of Establishment.	Remuneration to Sub- Registrars.	Contingencies.	Refund of fees on documents refused.	Total Expenditure.	Balance received by the State.
	Compulsory.	Optional.							
1930-31	9,180	6,076	Rs. A. P. 16,464 5 0	Rs. A. P. 8,139 9 8	Rs. A. P. 3,000 0 0	Rs. A. P. 1,202 13 3	.....	Rs. A. P. 12,343 6 4	Rs. A. P. 4,121 14 1
1931-32	8,077	6,494	13,613 2 0	7,797 11 6	1,610 0 0	853 13 3	.....	10,261 8 9	3,350 9 3
Increase	...	418	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	1,103	...	2851 3 0	341 14 2	1,390 0 0	349 0 0	.....	2,080 14 2	771 4 10

C.—Annual Statement of prisoners of all classes in the Cooch Behar Jail for the year 1931-32.

D.—Annual Statement of prisoners of all classes in the Sub-divisional Lock-ups for the year 1931-32.

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G.—Statement shewing the cost of the Cooch Behar Jail during the year 1931-32.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
EXPENDITURE DURING THE WHOLE YEAR						AVERAGE GROSS COST OF EACH PRISONER ON ACCOUNT OF					
Travelling allowance.	Establishment.	Feeding, including lunatics at Perhampur & life convicts at Port Blair.	Clothing, Jail building, contingencies & Sick diet.	Total.	Deduct profit of manufacture, credited vide, column 12, Statement G.	Net cost.	Travelling allowance.	Establishment.	Diet.	Clothing, Jail building, contingencies &c.	Total gross cost per prisoner.
Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
5 8 0	7,350 0 3	6,351 3 3	5,021 2 0	1,9607 13 6	9,030 11 0	1,0577 2 6	0 0 5	40 2 9	34 13 0	32 7 8	107 7 7

H.—Statement shewing the Jail offences and nature of punishments inflicted during the year 1931-32.

1			2		3
Jail offences.			Description of punishments.		No. of convicts.
Relating to work	...	...	11	Loss of remission	7
Having forbidden articles in possession...			10	Corporal punishment	.....
Assault &c.	...	...	...	Degradation from Warder's post	7
Other breaches of Jail rules	...	...	5	Putting on Link fetters	1
Offences relating to escape...	...	...	...	Wearing gunny suits	8
				Putting in solitary cells	.....
				Judicial punished	.....
				Warned	6
				Standing Hand-cuff	.....
				Cross Bar fetters	.....
				Hard Labour	.....
				Bar fetters	.....
				Night Hand-cuff	2
				Penal diet	.....
Total	...	26		Total	26

I.—Statement showing the General Receipts and Disbursements of the Sub-divisional Lock-ups during the year 1931-1932.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Number of Lock-ups	Daily average of the yearly aggregate No. of prisoners.	DISBURSEMENTS.			RECEIPTS.			Net cost.	Average gross cost per prisoner for establishment.	Average gross cost per prisoner for diet and contingencies.	Net cost for each prisoner during the year.	REMARKS.
		On account of establishment.	On account of diet and contingencies, &c.	Total expenditure.	From manufacture.	On account of wages of non-manufacturing prisoners.	Total receipts.					
2	32-22	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
		2,024 7 5	1,385 9 0	4,010 0 5	.....	39 6 0	39 6 0	3,970 10 5	62 13 4	61 9 11	123 3 8	

TABLE N.—Showing the number of prevalent diseases and the results obtained in their treatment.

DESCRIPTION OF DISEASES.	OUT-DOOR PATIENTS.		IN-DOOR PATIENTS.		RESULT OF TREATMENT OF IN-DOOR PATIENTS.					Total.	TOTAL OF OUT AND IN-DOOR PATIENTS.		
	1931-31.	1931-1932.	1931-31.	1931-1932.	Cured.	Relieved.	Discharged or otherwise.	Died.	Remain- ing.		1930-31.	1931-32.	
GENERAL DISEASES.													
Kala-azar ...	51	10	9	17	7	5	4	1	.....	17	60	117
Malarial fever ...	24,271	27,679	754	508	440	42	8	16	2	58	25,025	28,187	
Cholera ...	17	2	12	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	29	3
Rheumatic affections ...	1,962	2,810	30	33	13	15	5	.....	.....	33	1,992	2,843
Syphilitic ditto ...	103	223	5	6	5	.....	.....	1	.....	6	111	229
LOCAL DISEASES.													
Respiratory affections ...	3,057	4,416	7	17	12	2	1	2	.....	17	3,064	4,433
Goitre ...	2,158	2,517	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	2,158	2,518
Dysentery ...	1,133	1,449	55	72	56	7	3	6	.....	72	1,118	1,521
Diarrhoea ...	1,505	1,602	21	28	20	4	.....	2	2	28	1,526	1,630
Worms ...	1,664	2,324	2	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	1,666	2,325
Spleen ...	630	731	11	7	1	5	.....	1	.....	7	641	741
Other diseases ...	9,735	13,478	4	3	1	.....	.....	.....	2	3	9,740	13,481

TABLE O.—Shows the particulars of mortality amongst cases treated as in-patients in the various Hospitals of the State.

NAMES OF DISEASES.	BUDDER HOSPITAL.		DIXHATA HOSPITAL.		MATHA-SHANGA HOSPITAL.		MERU-GUNG HOSPITAL.		TUFAN-GUNG HOSPITAL.		HALDI-BARI HOSPITAL.		BUDDER JAYI HOSPITAL.		TOTAL NO. OF CASES TREATED IN THE HOSPITALS.		Percentage of deaths 1900-01.	Percentage of deaths for 1901-1902.
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.		
<i>General diseases.</i>																		
Cholera ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	3	1	41.44	33.33
Dysentery ...	31	2	4	1	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	26	2	64	6	43.85	9.40
Malarial fever ...	378	18	...	...	13	2	...	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	392	16	1.59	4.00
Primary Syphilis ...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	33.33	100.00
Secondary Syphilis ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gonorrhoea ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scurvy ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Worms ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Debility and Anæmia ...	24	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	7	9.99	29.16
Rheumatic affections ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculous diseases ...	13	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	14	2	...	14.28
Leprosy ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
All other general diseases ...	15	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	17	6	0.25	35.29
<i>Local diseases.</i>																		
Diseases of the Nervous System ...	9	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	2	...	22.22
o. Eye ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
o. Ear ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
o. Nose ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
o. Circulatory System ...	12	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	1	...	8.33
o. Lungs ...	38	5	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	1	...	...	45	7	18.91	15.53
Other diseases of the Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	2	5	2	50.00	40.00
Diarrhoea ...	10	1	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	2	9.52	14.28
Dyspepsia ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diseases of the Liver ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other diseases of the Digestive System ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diseases of the Spleen ...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	100.00
Other diseases of the Lymphatic system ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gonorrhoea ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diseases of the Urinary System ...	11	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	1	20.00	9.00
Soft Chancre ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other diseases of the Genitive System ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diseases of the Genitals of the Male ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. of the Female ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ulcers ...	74	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	74	3	3.33	4.00
Other diseases of the Skin ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
All other local diseases ...	33	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	2	1.80	1.27
General Infection ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Local Infection ...	70	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	70	2	5.17	8.15
Poisoning ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Accidents ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	700	44	16	8	13	2	3	1	7	5	10	2	26	7	800	48	6.88	6.88

TABLE Q.

Shewing the result of vaccination operations.

					YEARS.	
					1930-1931.	1931-1932.
Total vaccinated	...	...	...	...	12,593	14,361
Males	...	...	...	...	7,344	8,136
Females	...	...	...	...	5,249	6,225
Hindoos	...	...	...	...	8,068	8,783
Mahomedans	...	...	...	...	4,457	5,413
Christians	...	...	...	...	2	
Other castes	...	...	...	...	66	165
Under one year	...	...	...	...	76	35
Above one year	...	...	...	...	12,517	14,326
SUCCESSFUL CASES.	Out of 4 points	4	...	...	4,973	4,222
		3	...	...	939	1,162
		2	...	...	1,844	2,876
		1	...	...	467	1,212
	Out of 2 points	2	...	...	1,734	1,552
		1	...	...	108	468
Unsuccessful cases	...	...	...	...	629	1,408
Unknown cases	1,899	1,461
Total successful cases	10,065	11,483
Percentage of do.	79.92	79.95

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MONTHS.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.	1931-32.	Total.	Average.
April	4.98	8.22	9.98	9.60	1.57	3.13	7.71	2.68	1.83	9.13	57.83	5.78
May	9.05	22.73	17.00	11.36	7.82	25.41	10.90	18.41	7.58	22.76	153.02	15.30
June	33.97	20.31	53.44	36.05	37.30	59.66	22.25	16.71	33.14	31.41	349.14	34.91
July	30.47	22.33	34.78	14.69	52.39	10.91	33.52	23.33	8.84	12.35	283.66	28.36
August	29.14	8.01	21.99	26.56	13.70	10.14	26.94	13.80	12.90	13.15	176.33	17.63
September	15.25	34.58	16.17	24.39	12.87	28.73	16.59	11.74	12.17	30.99	213.48	21.34
October	2.02	3.97	6.04	1.60	3.26	2.91	11.53	20.09	6.52	3.06	60.83	6.08
November	0.01	...	2.57	0.63	...	0.78	0.55	...	1.11	...	5.70	0.57
December	...	...	...	...	0.42	...	...	0.13	...	0.10	0.65	0.06
January	...	...	0.01	0.18	0.07	0.23	1.91	0.26	...	...	2.66	0.26
February	1.61	0.04	...	...	0.43	0.05	...	0.27	0.50	0.49	3.39	0.33
March	...	0.02	0.15	3.49	1.93	...	0.90	4.16	2.32	0.73	13.70	1.37
Total	131.40	120.21	162.13	128.60	131.76	152.01	132.60	121.53	66.71	154.17	1320.39	131.99

TABLE Q.

Showing the result of vaccination operations.

					YEARS.	
					1930-1931.	1931-1932.
Total vaccinated	...	...	...	...	12,598	14,361
Males	...	...	...	...	7,844	8,136
Females	...	...	...	...	5,249	6,225
Hindoos	...	...	...	...	8,068	8,783
Mahomedans	...	...	...	...	4,457	5,413
Christians	...	...	...	...	2	
Other castes	...	...	...	...	66	165
Under one year	...	...	...	...	76	35
Above one year	...	...	...	...	12,517	14,326
SUCCESSFUL CASES.	Out of 4 points	4	...	...	4,978	4,222
		3	...	...	939	1,162
		2	...	...	1,844	2,876
		1	...	...	467	1,212
	Out of 2 points	2	...	...	1,734	1,552
		1	...	...	108	468
Unsuccessful cases	...	...	...	...	629	1,408
Unknown cases	1,899	1,461
Total successful cases	10,065	11,483
Percentage of do.	79.92	79.95

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MONTHS.		1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.	1931-32.	Total.	Average.
April	...	4.98	8.22	9.98	9.80	1.57	3.13	7.71	2.68	1.83	9.13	57.83	5.78
May	...	9.05	22.73	17.00	11.36	7.82	25.41	10.90	18.41	7.58	22.76	153.02	15.30
June	...	28.37	20.31	53.44	36.05	37.30	59.66	22.25	16.71	33.14	31.41	349.14	34.91
July	...	30.47	22.33	34.78	14.69	52.39	10.94	33.52	23.33	8.64	42.35	283.66	28.36
August	...	29.14	8.01	21.99	28.56	13.70	10.14	26.94	13.80	12.90	13.15	176.33	17.63
September	...	15.25	34.58	16.17	24.39	12.87	28.73	16.59	11.74	12.17	30.99	213.48	21.34
October	...	2.02	3.97	6.04	1.60	3.26	2.91	11.53	30.09	6.52	3.06	60.88	6.08
November	...	0.01	...	2.57	0.63	...	0.78	0.55	...	1.11	...	5.70	0.57
December	...	...	...	...	...	0.42	...	...	0.13	...	0.10	0.65	0.06
January	...	...	...	0.01	0.16	0.07	0.25	1.31	0.26	...	...	2.66	0.26
February	...	1.61	0.04	...	...	0.43	0.05	...	0.27	0.50	0.49	3.39	0.33
March	...	...	0.02	0.15	3.49	1.38	...	0.90	4.16	2.32	0.78	13.70	1.37
Total	...	131.40	129.21	162.13	126.60	131.78	152.01	132.90	191.63	86.71	134.17	1230.39	131.99

